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'Living in past' . . PM

PM: I BLAME BREXIT WOES

By JACK ELSOM

ANDY Burnham was accused of being stuck in the past after trying to blame Brexit and Margaret Thatcher for Britain's economic woes in his first Commons grilling as Prime Minister.

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EXCLUSIVE: PRICEY DUMPS CONMAN

Katie: I'm divorcing you, Lee

By CLEMMIE MOODIE

KATIE Price has dumped conman hubby Lee Andrews after discovering he had £2.22 in his crypto bank account — not the £37million he had promised.

The star, 48, has consulted a divorce lawyer about ending their eight-month marriage. She told a pal: "I have come to my senses — Lee has lied and lied and lied. I am sick of it. It is over."

A source said of Lee, 43, and in a Dubai jail: "He does not have a bean."

Full Story — P4 and 5

Over after eight months . . . Katie and Lee

HIS '£37m' CRYPTO ACCOUNT ONLY HAD £2 IN IT!

MPs OPPOSE SWITCH-OFF

LABOUR IN REVOLT TO SAVE FREEVIEW

LABOUR MPs are ready to revolt over plans to switch off Freeview TV by 2034 — claiming it is a lifeline for older viewers.

The backbenchers are among 52 MPs who have written to Culture Secretary Lisa Nandy urging her to guarantee terrestrial telly until 2044.

Pressure is piling on PM Andy Burnham to adopt the later date to broadcast TV solely over the internet. He told the Commons yesterday that he wanted a "proper look at" the plan, adding: "I recognise it is a genuine concern."

By TOM SCOTSON

The Sun has launched a Save Our Sets campaign to protect free TV and has seen the MPs' letter.

It says a 2034 switch-off would force many to pay for high-speed broadband, and often new equipment, just to keep watching TV they now get for free.

Steve Reed, a Cabinet minister under Sir Keir Starmer, said: "Free-to-air is a lifeline for the elderly, not to mention families on tight budgets or those without reliable or affordable broadband.

"We should not allow a premature switch-off to place an effective paywall around a service that's reached every home for generations."

Mr Reed added he was backing the 2044 option because, he said, it protects the most vulnerable, keeps household bills down and safeguards national resilience. Ministers say an earlier switch-over could save cash to help improve the Beeb.

A Government spokesman said there was a "strong case" for a transition to IPTV (Internet Protocol Television) but opinions were being sought from the industry and public.

He added: "We are committed to ensuring no one is left behind.

"Any future transition would only proceed once we are confident the right safeguards, infrastructure and support are in place so that everyone can continue to access television affordably and with confidence."

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Drone blame . . . Putin

Russia in 'blow up' plane bid

By NICK PARKER

GERMANY last night blamed Russia for a potentially catastrophic bid to blow up a Ukrainian cargo plane in a drone attack last month.

Interior Minister Alexander Dobrindt said Vladimir Putin's forces were behind an attempt to attack the giant Antonov An-124 at Leipzig airport.

Analysts believe a blast could have cost many lives and pushed Nato towards all-out war after the attack on August 4.

A bus driver spotted one of three drones used in the attack near the plane and allegedly kicked it — unaware it was packed with Semtex.

Investigators suspect a second drone collided with a cargo aircraft nearby and a third was reportedly found near the airport ten days later.

Yobs face benefits grab bid

By MARTINA BET

BENEFITS should be docked and social housing tenants face eviction if their families terrorise neighbours, a report says.

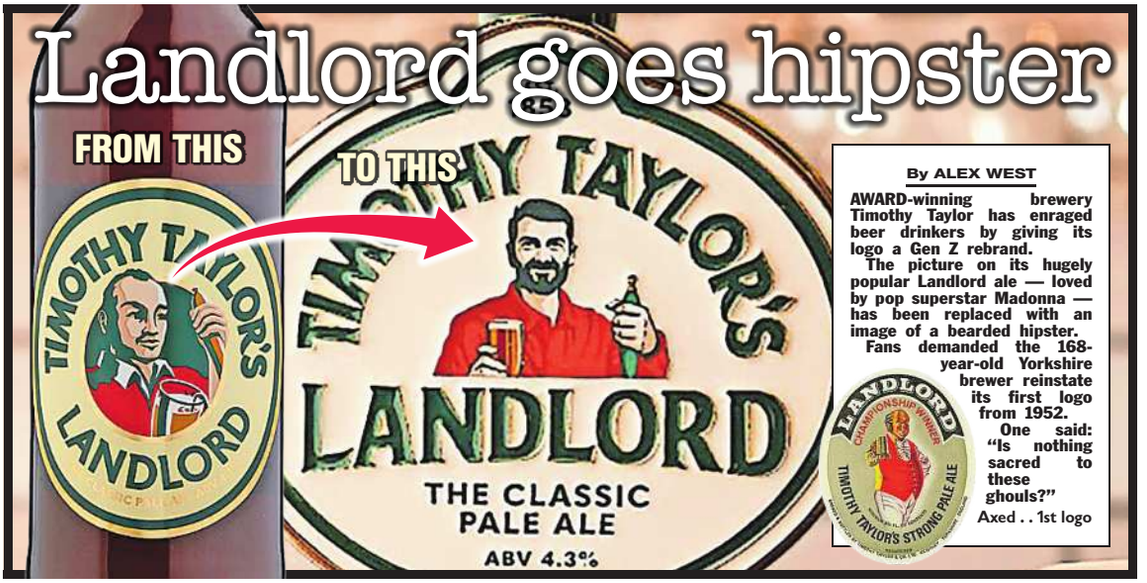
Yobs and shoplifters run riot with few consequences, according to the Centre for Social Justice.

The think tank is calling for unpaid anti-social behaviour fines to be taken straight from Universal Credit and offenders to face tough action.

Its founder, the former Tory leader Iain Duncan Smith, said anti-social behaviour "causes misery and ruins lives".

Almost 21million people in England and Wales faced anti-social issues last year, its report found.

Landlord goes hipster



By ALEX WEST

AWARD-winning brewery Timothy Taylor has enraged beer drinkers by giving its logo a Gen Z rebrand.

The picture on its hugely popular Landlord ale — loved by pop superstar Madonna — has been replaced with an image of a bearded hipster.

Fans demanded the 168-year-old Yorkshire brewer reinstate its first logo from 1952.

One said: "Is nothing sacred to these ghouls?"

Axed . . 1st logo

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Zel's fury at strikes

UKRAINIAN President Volodymyr Zelensky yesterday said Russians were "out of their minds" after attacks launched as children started school.

Zelensky dashed with kids to an air-raid shelter in Kyiv after Vladimir Putin ordered strikes for the sixth day running.

September 1 is the traditional first day back at school after summer holidays for children across both Ukraine and Russia.

At least nine people were killed in Kyiv, and many injured, including three children.

TAX-FREE PLEAS

TAX-free shopping could give Britain an £11.5billion economic boost and support 153,000 jobs, a report claims.

Britain ended VAT-free shopping for international visitors at the start of 2021.

But Labour has been told to bring it back as it could lure up to 2.35million extra international shoppers to the UK every year, according to a Centre for Economics and Business Research report.

And London Mayor Sadiq Khan has urged Andy Burnham to use his first Budget to reinstate the perk.

He said: "The decision to remove tax-free shopping has led to us trailing behind other European cities."

SKI SUNDAY SLOPING OFF

THE BBC is freezing out Ski Sunday after nearly 50 years.

The winter sports show launched in 1978, originally hosted by David Vine, and featuring epic theme tune Pop Looks Bach.

The Beeb blamed changing viewing habits and financial pressures.

REFORM DROPS

REFORM has slipped down into third place for the first time in more than a year, according to a poll.

Labour hit 26 per cent while the Tories are now a point ahead of Nigel Farage's party with 23 per cent.

It comes as Reform faces more scrutiny over finances.

A senior Tory source said it is clear Reform are "going backwards" after the "pointless" Clacton by-election against Count Binface.

The source added: "It's surely only a matter of time before Farage decides to throw in the towel."

Reform hopes to revive its fortunes with a conference in Birmingham this weekend.

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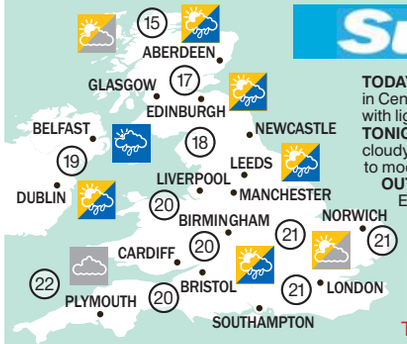

TODAY: Rain in Western and Northern England. Cloudy in Central and Southern regions. Mainly dry in the East with light winds.

TONIGHT: Cloudy skies across England with mostly cloudy conditions in Central and Southern areas. Light to moderate south-westerly winds throughout.

OUTLOOK: On Thursday, cloudy skies cover England with mild temperatures. Friday sees rain in the East, cooler temperatures, and breezy conditions in the West.

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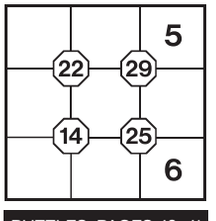

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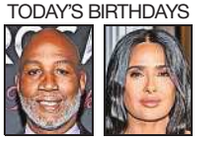

BOXER **LENNOX LEWIS**, **61**, *left*, broadcaster **MOIRA STUART**, **77**, actors **SALMA HAYEK**, **60**, *right*, **KEANU REEVES**, **62**, **KEITH ALLEN**, **73**, and **SUE CLEAVER**, **63**, and new Liverpool signing **BRADLEY BARCOLA**, **24**.

●**Tuesday's EuroMillions: 2, 10, 23, 37, 47. Lucky Stars: 3, 5. Health Lottery: 7, 12, 13, 31, 36. Bonus ball: 3.**

BOND HOPEFUL'S BIG BUCKS

Money Flo-ing in . . . Pugh has had her most lucrative year yet

ACTRESS PUGH WORTH £10M

By ROD McPHEE and THOMAS GODFREY

ACTRESS Florence Pugh has banked a whopping £10million, figures reveal — as she is mooted to play Miss Moneypenny in a James Bond TV spin-off.

The 30-year-old Brit has enjoyed her most successful year yet, with earnings rolling in from two Marvel movies, the Dune sequels and the new Spider-Man film.

Accounts for her firm Flo Pug Ltd show that she earned £6million in the 12 months to August 2025, and already had £4million in the business.

A movie insider said: "She already has a reputation for being one of the hardest-working stars in the business.

"These figures prove Florence is now one of the most sought-after stars in Tinseltown too, with earnings that are growing massively year on year.

"It makes her one of the most successful British actresses of recent years, with the potential to earn even more now she is in the frame to be joining the new Bond franchise universe."

Florence, who used to date Scrubs star Zach Braff and is now in a relationship with Peaky Blinders actor Finn Cole, has been incredibly busy since she made her breakthrough in the movie The Falling in 2014 when she was just 18.

She has since appeared in 23 films, including Spider-Man: Brand New Day with Tom Holland, Dune: Part Two and Three, Thunderbolts and Avengers: Doomsday, as well as 11 TV shows and three music videos.

The Sun revealed last year how she was tipped to star in The Moneypenny Diaries, a TV series in the works for streamer Prime Video after parent company Amazon bought the rights to 007.

It is likely to be based on the books of the same name, written from 2005 to 2008 by Samantha Weinberg under the pseudonym Kate Westbrook. Set in the 1950s and '60s, they provide a backstory to MI6 secretary Miss Moneypenny, best remembered as being played by Lois Maxwell in the Bond movies from 1962 to 1985.

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Picture: GETTY

Florence is in the Moneypenny

If you have a conservatory or, God help you, an en-suite, you're going to have to develop Nicola 'What Winnebago' Sturgeon levels of denial to avoid being taxed on it

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Jane Moore

EXCLUSIVE: PRICEY FINALLY

Katie ends marriage ...with a WhatsApp

ASKS LEE: WHY DID YOU LIE TO ME?

TALKS WITH TOP DIVORCE LAWYER

Wearing ring . . Katie on Saturday

Smiles . . couple enjoy rare time together in Dubai

By CLEMMIE MOODIE
Assistant Editor, Showbiz

FURIOUS Katie Price dumped conman husband Lee Andrews by WhatsApp, The Sun can reveal.

She told him: "I have been played and you are not who you say you are. Why have you lied to me?"

The TV personality and glamour model, 48, has quietly consulted a top London divorce lawyer.

And she has no plans to fly out to see the fraudster, currently in a hellhole desert jail.

News of the split comes eight months after the pair married in a surprise ceremony in Dubai, where he is based.

She was seen wearing her ring at Manchester Pride last weekend.

But Katie told a pal last night: "I have come to my senses – Lee has lied and lied and lied. I am sick of it. It is over."

A source added: "The marriage is done. She will never go to Dubai to see Lee again.

"It was, of course, an accumulation of many things but the final straw came after Lee had told Katie he had $50million (£37million) in a crypto wallet, and promised her some of the funds.

"He gave her the 'recovery phrase' – the passkey – to get into his account, and on Monday she had a financial expert access the wallet – and, to her shock, discovered it contained just $3, or £2.22.

"Lee never had $50million; he doesn't have a bean. The most he ever had on any one day was in March for $14,490 (£10,720) which was sent out the very same day.

"Obviously over the past few months Kate has seen all the damning evidence building up against him – and was always planning her exit once the white noise became unavoidable.

"But after seeing his accounts – as opposed to his AI mock-ups – she lost her s***.

"He has deeply embarrassed her and, more importantly, has scammed, hurt and cheated so many other women. Enough is enough."

Self-proclaimed multi-millionaire "businessman" Lee, 43, is currently holed up in the UAE's notorious Al Awir prison.

It is understood he is trying to drum up the funds to pay the fine for his release, but is struggling to do so. He still maintains his innocence. The couple's initial service in January was legally non-binding, but on February 17 they officially registered their union at Abu Dhabi's judicial department, presided over by a judge.

A source added: "Naturally Katie is worried Lee might try to get her money, or take half her earnings over the next 12 months.

"She does not want to be his next con, and is hoping they can split amicably. It seems unlikely they will stay in touch."

Since going public with their whirlwind romance, the couple have been subject to numerous unsavoury headlines concerning Lee's shady past.

The "tycoon", who proposed to mum-of-five Katie within ten days of meeting, stands accused of conning numerous women, and at least one man. He denies all the allegations.

Embarrassingly, shortly after proposing to the four-times married star, The Sun revealed he had proposed in identical fashion – with rose petals, fluffy white bathrobes and a spa day – to his ex-fiancée, Alana Percival just a few months previously.

Brave fitness trainer Alana first lifted the lid on Lee's ways, telling Katie to "run for the hills".

By sharing her own experiences – Hertfordshire Police and Interpol are allegedly investigating him over historic allegations – she encouraged others to come forward with their own horror stories. Since then American Crystal Janke, who Lee never met but declared his love for, claims she lost £123,000 investing into one of his dodgy schemes.

And in May The Sun printed its dossier detailing how Lee scammed £1,000, plus his elaborate AI-heavy modus operandi.

Meanwhile, another ex Dina Taji is said to have had a £200,000 mortgage in her name forged by Lee shortly after the pair tied the knot. He is said to have served a jail sentence for this last October and, as a result, has a travel ban.

GIVES CONMAN HEAVE-HO

Wedding . . . beaming Lee and Katie at first service in January

SCAN QR CODE TO SEE VIDEO

Married strife . . . wed in January, June plea for jail cash, her ultimatum

IT'S ALL OVER IN 8 MONTHS

JANUARY 23, 2026: Katie announces she is engaged to Andrews just days after meeting him.
JANUARY 25: The former glamour model marries Andrews in a Dubai hotel and shares photographs of their big day with The Sun.
JANUARY 27: Andrews is exposed as a Walter Mitty who faked AI pics with celebrities, lied about top jobs and is on a travel ban.
JANUARY 28: Andrews' ex Alana Percival and a business associate Crystal Janke warn Katie that Andrews is a conman and urge her to leave him.
FEBRUARY 17: Katie and Andrews legalise their marriage inside Abu Dhabi's civil family court.
MARCH 3: In an interview with The Sun, Katie insists Andrews isn't a con artist and claims he showed her proof of his wealth.
MARCH 27: In a shock U-turn, Andrews admits he did lie on his CV and blames his PA.
MAY 17: Andrews is listed as a missing person after telling Katie he was kidnapped in Dubai.
MAY 18: The Sun's Clemmie Moodie's bombshell investigation proves Andrews is a con artist after she invests £1,000 with him. And he has still not repaid her.
MAY 27: Katie confirms Andrews has been arrested in Dubai as he calls her from prison.
JUNE 12: Andrews is freed from Al Awir prison and Katie vows to interrogate him over the scam allegations.
JULY 11: Andrews is arrested again in Dubai put back in jail and is told he will need to pay a £120,000 fine to be released.
JULY 17: In a fresh twist, Andrews' dad Peter is arrested and sent to the same prison over alleged fraud.
JULY 23: Clemmie Moodie releases the Lee Andrews files which expose him once and for all.
AUGUST 31: Katie removes her wedding ring as Andrews remains behind bars.
SEPTEMBER 1: She confirms to pals she is dumping Andrews after gaining access to his crypto account containing just £2.22. Katie calls in top divorce lawyer.

'She's realised he's wrong 'un'

By **CLEMMIE MOODIE**
Assistant Editor, Showbiz

WELL, she got there in the end.

Finally, Katie Price has seen what we've all been telling her ad infinitum: Lee Andrews is a wrong 'un.

For the past few months so many women have told how he has lied, cheated and scammed.

Yet, until now, Katie appears to have turned a blind eye. Why? Is she dumb? In lust? Or a man's woman, refusing to listen to the women? Maybe one out of the three (lust).

Over the weekend voicenotes were leaked of Katie telling one of Lee's exes she was "on to" him, effectively conning the conman. Many fans, understandably, have been cross. Hundreds asked me, if she lied in our subsequent interviews, was I "in on it too"? Allow me to clarify. No.

I've exposed this man, repeatedly, and tried to make her see sense.

Did she lie? Well no, she DID fancy this man. Lee accused his exes of being psychopaths and liars, and she gave him the benefit of the doubt — while keeping all the receipts.

She'll want her say now. Me? Well, it's been a very long eight months.

Earlier this year Lee left Katie embarrassed on the Good Morning Britain sofa after promising to join her for the pair's first joint interview. She was forced to go on air alone after he failed to show.

Conman Lee has been caught out telling several increasingly embarrassing lies.

As well as claiming he has a diplomatic passport – which, if true, would allow him to circumnavigate a travel ban – he stated he had an engineering PhD from Cambridge. This is despite the fact the university insist there is no record of him on their books. He also boasted of buying Chelsea FC, when it was just one share.

And he bragged of working with both Kim Kardashian and megarich Elon Musk.

Neither has ever met Lee, and instead, it transpired, he used AI photos to pretend to be networking with them.

In June he "ghosted" Katie for four days, then claimed he'd been kidnapped at gunpoint and taken to a black site. Fraught with fear, Katie launched an official missing person's appeal with local authorities, as well as appealing for help online.

The search quickly went viral, spawning thousands of memes.

After The Sun tracked Lee down in prison, he told his wife he had been arrested on suspicion of espionage. It was, instead, to do with outstanding fees on a car rental.

For the past eight weeks Lee has been in Al Awir prison, facing three civil cases.

According to pals he has been calling Katie daily, promising he will be out the very next day.

A source added: "She is so unbelievably bored with his lies.

"She tried to give Lee the benefit of the doubt when all these women came forward, and she did, unquestionably, really fancy him.

"He initially had an answer for everything, and wormed his way back into her affections.

"But Katie has been in regular contact with Lee's family and, crucially, his exes. They have repeatedly told her the truth and been increasingly frustrated by her apparent refusal to take notice and dump him.

"Katie has always made it clear she's not thick.

"She has all the receipts – the screenshots, voice notes and the AI fakery. It's little secret that she wants to make a documentary, Tinder Swindler-style, so that is now the plan.

"Hopefully some good can come out of all this – in what has been yet another turbulent year in the life of Katie Price."

KIDS AGED 6 FUELLING MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

62% surge in casualty of kids aged 6 to 9 with mental health issues

THOUSANDS of primary school kids are being treated in A&E for suspected mental health crises, doctors reveal.

The number of six to nine-year-olds in casualty due to a meltdown surged 62 per cent between 2019 and 2025, a report found.

The increase – from 3,870 to 6,269 – was the fastest rise of any age group under 18, the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH) said.

By SAM BLANCHARD

Critics say doctors, parents and campaigners are trying to treat normal emotions and bad behaviour as medical problems.

NHS figures analysed by the RCPCH showed that mental health A&E visits for all children aged six to 17 rose 36 per cent, from 55,525 in 2019 to 75,491 in 2025.

Professor Lynn Woolsey, of the Royal College of Nursing, said: "This rise is a damning indictment of a failing system, with desperate families left with nowhere else to turn.

"The reality is that A&Es are wholly unsuitable for children in mental health distress."

Medics say kids in mental health crises may have self-harmed or have suicidal thoughts, bad behaviour, anxiety, or a medical emergency caused by an eating disorder.

But retired child psychiatrist and author Dr Sami Timimi said: "Six to nine-year-olds do not have mental health crises.

"They may have behavioural problems, struggle with learning difficulties or be responding to family events, but calling these 'mental health crises' shows just how far the ideology of medicalised psychiatry has penetrated."

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COPS NICK 636 DURING CARNIVAL

By BENEDICT ELLIOT

POLICE patrol Notting Hill Carnival where officers made a record 636 arrests — topping the 528 from last year

London's Met said the alleged offences included two knife assaults, drugs, sexual and public order crimes.

One man died after entering a canal while being pursued by police. An estimated two million people attended the West London carnival's 60th anniversary.

Patrol . . . cops used dinghies to combat crime

Warning . . . president

Iran hits tankers & Trump retaliates

By NICK PARKER

TWO giant supertankers were hit repeatedly in suspected Iranian missile attacks on the Strait of Hormuz oil route.

The Sidr and Senegal Prosperity – each carrying two million barrels of Saudi Arabian oil – were struck north of the Oman coast on Monday night.

No injuries were reported in the strikes – a day after US forces attacked an Iranian mine-laying rocket base.

Donald Trump said last night the US had struck back at Iranian targets near the strait. And he vowed to hit at "a much harder and higher level" if his enemy retaliated.

Iranian sources claimed four were killed and 34 injured when a US strike hit a wedding at a house.

Meanwhile, Russia has been secretly helping Iran develop advanced supersonic cruise missiles. The project began in 2023, the Financial Times revealed.

Police in Notts fail

COPS failed to warn the three Nottingham attack victims' families they were being stalked by a mentally ill man fixated on the June 2023 killings.

The Independent Office for Police Conduct apologised for keeping quiet after he tried to find the loved-ones of Barnaby Webber, 19, and visited the surgery of Dr Sanjoy Kumar, father of Grace O'Malley-Kumar, 19.

The man had been referred to the Prevent scheme over concerns about extremism and was sectioned last year for threatening 999 staff.

2 murder court rap

A MAN appeared in court yesterday charged with the murder of a seven-year-old girl and her aunt in a house fire.

Jaden Wright, 23, is accused of killing Valentina Foster and Natalie McDonald, 34, in Middlesbrough last Wednesday. He is also charged with GBH with intent and attempted GBH with intent against others in the house at the time.

They include a woman, 48, who is critical but stable in hospital.

Wright, of no fixed abode, was remanded in custody at Teesside magistrates' court.

GA GA FOR GEAR

A leather jacket Freddie Mercury wore at his final live show in 1988 may net £150,000 at an auction in Wiltshire on Saturday.

KING'S KILT MAN QUITS

Picture: MAX MUMBY & GREENLY PHOTOGRAPHY

Jonny . . . and marrying Olivia

THE King's equerry dubbed "major eye candy" is hanging up his kilt.

Lt Col Jonny Thompson scored an army of fans after his appointment six years ago to work with Their Majesties, appearing alongside the royals at events, *right*.

The officer, who served in Iraq and Afghanistan during 22 years in the Army, was also dubbed the "hot equerry" thanks to photos of him on duty in his kilt. He was appointed equerry to Charles and Camilla in 2019 and became the King's senior equerry in 2024.

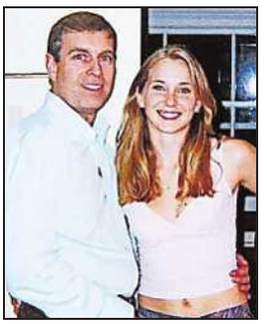
The Royal Regiment of Scotland commander, who wed Olivia Lewis last year, leaves the royals and the Army at the end of the year.

Buckingham Palace said: "Their Majesties wish him all the best for the future."

By MATT WILKINSON, Royal Editor

EPSTEIN PALS LIST

Andrew 'did sex crimes in USA'



Andrew . . . with Virginia

By SCARLET HOWES, US Editor

ANDREW Mountbatten-Windsor has been accused of "committing sex crimes in the US" by a congressman during a blistering speech.

Republican Thomas Massie named the former Duke of York in a list of men who were pals with Jeffrey Epstein.

He told the House of Representatives in US Congress: "We want perpetrators of these crimes to be investigated and prosecuted."

Massie reeled off names including former Barclays boss Jes Staley and stage magician David Copperfield, who both knew the paedophile financier before adding: "And Prince Andrew, who committed sex crimes in the US."

The congressman delivered his minute-long speech as part of his bid to get three million more files related to Epstein released by US President Donald Trump's administration.

A similar number were made public last year after a law was passed to force the government to disclose them.

Massie – who backed the law change – said: "Perhaps hearing these names will shame the Department of Justice into delivering justice."

Andrew was arrested on his 66th birthday in February on suspicion of misconduct in public office over claims he passed sensitive information to Epstein.

Thames Valley Police said in May it was widening its inquiry to include sex trafficking but sources said it has "hit some roadblocks" trying to find witnesses.

Police want US officials to hand over unredacted material from the Epstein files, but there has been no US probe into the decades-long relationship between Andrew and the paedophile, who died in his prison cell in 2019.

Andrew was accused of having sex with Epstein victim Virginia Giuffre when she was 17 in 2001. She settled with the former prince out of court in 2022 and died last year.

Andrew has always strongly denied any wrongdoing.

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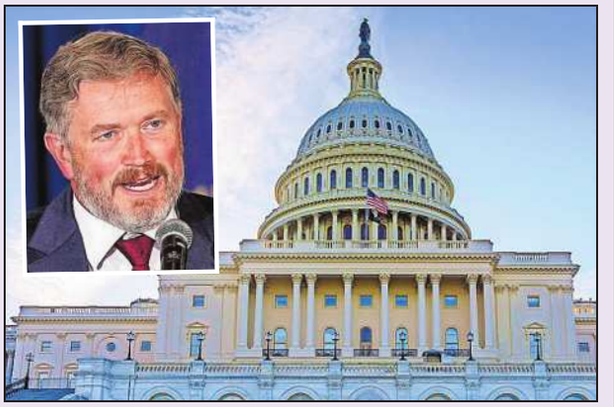

Name & shame . . . Massie, inset, read out names at Capitol, above

POLITICIAN MAKES CLAIM IN CONGRESS

LEADER UNDER PRESSURE

BURN ON

Warning . . . Cartlidge

Tory fury at revived deal over Chagos

By TOM SCOTSON

ANDY Burnham was last night blasted for reviving the Chagos surrender deal at the expense of funding Britain's Armed Forces.

Shadow Defence Secretary James Cartlidge said the PM should show some "backbone" and break with Sir Keir Starmer's terrible legacy by dumping the proposal.

The agreement will see UK taxpayers hand Mauritius a reported £9billion in order to keep the military base we share with the US on Diego Garcia.

Mr Cartlidge said: "Andy Burnham can't find the money to fund our Armed Forces, but he is apparently happy to hand over billions of pounds of taxpayers' money – not to mention British sovereign territory – to an ally of China."

Downing Street under Sir Keir argued the deal was imperative to securing the long-term future of the vital military base.

The PM will attend the annual UN General Assembly in New York next month. He is set to face fierce lobbying from Mauritius to hand over the Chagos islands as quickly as possible.

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Crims of 18 'stay' in youth jail

By MARTINA BET

ADULT criminals will be kept in youth jails for longer in a fresh bid to free up prison cells.

Justice Secretary Alex Norris said some 18-year-olds will temporarily stay on sites for young offenders rather than be moved to crowded adult prisons.

It comes after a campaign by PC Andrew Harper's family to block dangerous offenders from gaining early release.

Mr Norris also vowed to end indefinite Imprisonment for Public Protection sentences, but said public safety is his "top priority".

Shadow Justice Secretary Nick Timothy said: "The plan is to stop one group of dangerous criminals leaving prison early by letting a different group of dangerous criminals out."

Questions time . . . PM heads to Commons. Below, Thatcher

'Wrong turns' . . . Burnham's first dispatch box in 16 years

Sweating PM blames Brexit and Thatcher for Britain's woes...and not Labour's tax grab

ANDY Burnham yesterday tried to blame Brexit and Margaret Thatcher for Britain's woes — as he failed to rule out soaking the country with more tax hikes.

The new PM used his first Commons speech in the job to warn that "Britain is not where any of us would wish it to be".

He singled out "a series of wrong turns in the 1980s" as well as the decision to leave the European Union as the reason for a lack of UK growth – rather than the record taxes Labour has imposed.

Mr Burnham faced MPs for the first time since entering No10 six weeks ago and embarking on a summer tour announcing relatively small cost-of-living giveaways.

By JACK ELSOM and MARTINA BET

Ahead of his marathon three-hour grilling by MPs yesterday, the Labour leader was seen working up a sweat during his morning run.

The PM will feel the heat even more, as long-term government borrowing costs rose to their highest level since 1998.

At the dispatch box for the first time in 16 years, Mr Burnham said: "Britain is not where any of us would wish it to be. Things are not working as they should. Life is too expensive and too hard for too many."

The ex-Manchester Mayor said his decade away from Westminster had given him a "clear diagnosis" of the source of the UK's troubles.

The Prime Minister took aim at the legacy of former PM Mrs Thatcher and her programme of privatisation, as well as pulling out of the EU.

He said: "Political power was centralised, economic power privatised, the country deindustrialised, austerity followed, hollowing out councils and depriving them of the agency to act to reverse any of this."

He added: "Then Brexit compounded the damage, ushering in a decade of low growth and stalled regeneration. Far from taking back control, the combination of these policies took control out of the hands of communities up and down Britain.

"For 40 years, too many places have been drifting."

Tory leader Kemi Badenoch attacked Mr Burnham for living in the past when he should be focused on the future.

She hit back: "The year is 2026, yet the Prime Minister said in his statement that everything has gone wrong since the 1980s, still complaining about Margaret Thatcher. I may not look it, but I'm 46 years old. He is talking about a woman who became Prime Minister before I was born. He is

Blast at past . . Kemi

IN COMMONS RETURN

THE RUN

Heat is on . . Burnham going for a jog yesterday

Picture: JEREMY SELWYN

Cabinet meet . . Rayner arrives

BY-ELECTION HEADACHE AS KEIR QUITS IN FINAL U-TURN

SIR Keir Starmer yesterday announced he is to quit as an MP – handing Andy Burnham his first by-election headache.

The former Prime Minister's surprise departure will trigger a battle in Holborn and St Pancras, where the Greens are hoping to threaten Labour in the traditionally safe London seat.

It is a final U-turn by Sir Keir, who promised just weeks ago that he intended to remain in the Commons until the next general election.

Sir Keir, who left Downing Street at the end of July, said it was the "right time" to leave Parliament after 11 years and "pass the baton to a successor".

He said he will focus on a new career on the international stage, working on defence, security, trade and technology, as well as campaigning against violence towards women and girls.

He told the Camden New Journal newspaper: "It has been a huge honour and privilege to represent the best constituency in the country."

The Greens are now eyeing the seat as a major opportunity to pile more pressure on Labour. Asked whether party leader Zack Polanski could stand in the by-election, a spokesman fuelled speculation, saying: "Zack has always made it clear he would like to be a London MP. London has been his home for over 20 years."

By MARTINA BET, Chief Political Correspondent

The Greens more than doubled their share of the vote across the capital to 22.3 per cent in May's local elections and won 297 council seats, while Labour suffered heavy losses.

Sir Keir was first elected in 2015 after previously serving as Director of Public Prosecutions. He became Labour leader five years later and led the party to its landslide general election victory in 2024.

However, his two years in No10 was defined by relentless backtracking on policies including winter fuel, a social media plan and welfare.

He is believed to have racked up a staggering 15 U-turns before eventually being ousted by Andy Burnham.

The Tories said his decision to step down marked yet another change of mind.

Party chairman Kevin Hollinrake said: "It is fitting that his final act as a Member of Parliament is yet another U-turn, having pledged to stay on.

"The decision to stand down will mean a costly by-election for taxpayers at a time when Andy Burnham and John Healey are plotting tax rises on hardworking families across the country."

The final flip-flop . . . Sir Keir

living in the past and he wants to take us back to the 1970s.

"On this side of the House, we are for the future, not the past. That is the difference between them and us. His ideas are all about more government control, more spending, more tax, more politicians."

She blamed the £70billion of tax rises under this Labour Government for failing to propel Britain out of the economic doldrums.

Mr Burnham is facing harsh economic realities as PM. Yesterday saw the yield on 30-year gilts – a loan to the Government – rise to 5.89 per cent, the highest since 1998.

And the yield on benchmark ten-year gilts rose to 5.223 per cent – the highest since the 2008 financial crash, eclipsing even Liz Truss's mini-Budget. Debt is already on the brink of hitting £3trillion and taxpayers are on the hook for £100billion every year, just to pay off the interest on that pile.

The PM yesterday repeatedly refused to rule out tax rises in the October 28 Budget to pay for increased spending.

Ms Badenoch instead challenged him to cut Britain's ballooning welfare bill, asking whether he would "stand up to his backbenchers in a way that his predecessor (Sir Keir Starmer) never could".

Mr Burnham insisted he was committed to bringing the welfare bill down, but said it would not be done through "crude cuts".

He said the answer was better support, particularly for young people who had been "let down" by the education system. The Prime Minister was also pressed on defence, after refusing to commit to spending three per cent of GDP on it by 2030.

Mr Burnham said Chancellor John Healey would set out the path at the Spending Review.

He said: "This is a changing and challenging world in which we live.

"But can I say very directly, I appointed this Chancellor precisely because of his commitment to the defence of our realm and the arguments he has made.

"He will set out at the Spending Review the path to honouring our international commitments in full, as I said we would when I was before the steps of Downing Street."

Mr Burnham put his programme for public control of industries at the heart of his address, taking aim at the water industry specifically as a "leaking monument" to a failed economic approach.

On migration, the PM confirmed he and Home Secretary Shabana Mahmood would continue looking at return hubs and insisted that co-operation with France was making "significant progress".

Mr Burnham is due to welcome French President Emmanuel Macron in Downing Street today, with tackling small boat Channel crossings on the agenda.

He also vowed to bring in new laws over the coming months to overhaul the "unfair" leasehold system, including plans to ban leasehold on most new flats and give homeowners more control over their buildings.

He also opened the door to including a change to a proportional representation voting system in Labour's next manifesto.

Mr Burnham gathered his Cabinet, including Housing Secretary Angela Rayner, for just the second time yesterday as MPs returned from their summer breaks.

● **THE** PM last night pledged to save Jodrell Bank observatory after a backlash over it being defunded. He told MPs that there "must be a way to save" the Cheshire site, which includes radio telescopes which helped to track the first moon landing.

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HOLIDAY ROMANCE IS OVER FOR BURNHAM: SEE PAGE 10

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PM's gilt trip

ANDY Burnham's first proper day as Prime Minister brought less-than-fond memories of Labour U-turns past, a worrying grasp of the present — and a nightmare vision for the future.

Before the new PM even got a chance to address MPs for the first time since seizing power, the victim of his leadership coup had delivered one more signature reverse ferret.

Sir Keir Starmer, who pledged only weeks ago to stay on as an MP, announced he was quitting for good.

His unwelcome parting gift leaves Burnham facing a by-election headache against Zack Polanski's Greens.

But far worse for voters was the markets' reaction to Burnham's economic fantasy of wielding more Socialist state control to bring down the cost of living.

A global debt sell-off had already sparked a frenzy among bond traders.

But spooked by Britain's unsustainable debt – fuelled by ballooning welfare payments – they delivered a uniquely bad punishment beating to us.

It sent the cost of Government borrowing to 5.89 per cent, the highest since 1998 and way beyond the rates which led Liz Truss to resign after her 2022 mini-Budget shambles.

That blows a hole in Chancellor John Healey's Budget plans – including urgent demands for more defence cash.

It is madness – as the threat of a debt-fuelled global financial crisis grows by the day – for Burnham's only answer to be **MORE** borrowing to fund **MORE** out-of-control spending.

His words yesterday about delivering "hope" will be rendered utterly meaningless if a lurch to the Left plunges us all into recession.

Chagos chaos

IN a staggering decision slipped out yesterday, the Government confirmed the PM plans to resurrect Keir Starmer's insane plan to give away the Chagos Islands.

Billions will be paid to Mauritius for the privilege of losing a key strategic territory – and all the cash will come from the already hopelessly inadequate defence budget.

Donald Trump's ire over Starmer's craven surrender of the islands led to the plans being halted earlier this year.

But it is crazy for Burnham to once again infuriate our US allies and wantonly damage UK security in the process.

Cry Freeview

FREE to air TV is a vital lifeline for the elderly and poorer households who cannot afford costly broadband and subscriptions.

It also remains a key security tool for Government information in the event of a catastrophic internet outage.

That's why ministers must listen to MPs from all sides demanding a planned switch-off in 2034 is delayed.

VERDICT ON BURNHAM'S 'DEBUT'

BIG DAY . . . Andy Burnham leaving No 10 yesterday

The holiday romance is over. Winter is coming

SO, it seems Britain's new boyfriend now just wants to be friends.

By **HARRY COLE**
Editor-At-Large

Suited and booted in a tie so hideous it could only have been a gift, there was a whiff of screeching rubber in the air as Andy Burnham finally made it to the House of Commons.

And what a difference six weeks makes.

Free from the constraints of any proper scrutiny, Burnham's summer lovin' tour was all things to all people.

That charming lad with the pretty eyelashes promised us all the world if we just trusted him.

Those baddies Thames Water? They "should be" nationalised.

Meaningless drivel

The evil tax trap that drags millions more into income tax? That should be raised.

Defence spending? Hike it! Social Care: Fix it first! Crippling energy bills? Slash 'em!

We were promised a new era of hope, optimism and, above all, a government that could speak to ordinary people.

Yet suddenly, the fluffy TikToks about crisps, singalongs to The Smiths and all those sweet nothings felt like distant memories.

As autumn approaches, that nice boy Andy, who was so chatty when trying to get into our knickers, now says "it's complicated".

He says he was going to "do politics differently", yet suddenly the new guy sounded a lot like the old guy. "Britain is not where any of us would wish it to be," said our newly po-faced PM. "Things are not working as they should."

Apparently, "life is too expensive and too hard for too many" after Brexit ruined the country, and everything is seemingly, well . . . just a bit too tricky.

Holiday romance Andy said if we let him in, he would slip us "the most significant change moment in our politics for 40 years".

Instead, at Tuesday's back to school reality check, he wasn't so much pouring cold water on his promises, but dumping an entire ice bath on them.

Defence hikes? They will have to wait for not just November's Budget, but the multi-year public spending review next year.

Let's just hope the Russians aren't banging on the doors of the Baltics by then.

Thames Water nationalisation? That's just an option now after a beancounter with a big red pen must have explained the notoriously complex and dangerous idea of taking billions of debt on to the public books to him very slowly.

Flashy promises of electoral reform? Kicked into the next Parliament. Social care fixed? Well, far from being top of the list, that's now relegated to something Burnham "won't leave office" without looking at.

It seems that the revolution will have to wait until stakeholders have been engaged, pens have been pushed and Labour MPs have clucked a little more.

Instead, we were treated to his big new solution to Britain's woes: "A triple helix approach to economic development".

So much for the straight-talking, brilliant new communicator.

What is it about this job that means politicians enter the black door of No10 and re-emerge regenerated, Stars In Their Eyes-style, spouting meaningless drivel and incomprehensible buzzwords?

Burnham had the cheek to say his Commons statement yesterday set out a "clear, coherent and credible path to growth".

I must have blinked and missed that bit of the speech.

Of course, this was always going to be much harder than simply a change of tone and frontman. But frankly, Britain does not have time for Burnham to be learning on the job.

He was in a hurry to seal the deal and get into office, despite having watched what had happened to his predecessor who seized power without a proper plan.

But the summer is over now Prime Minister, and the storm clouds are gathering.

On Burnham's first proper day in the job, UK borrowing costs saw their biggest one day jump in months, pushing ten-year loans to their highest price since the crash.

Liz Truss got decked when those costs hit 4.5 per cent for a few weeks in 2022.

Bond carnage

When Labour came to power they were bumping around four per cent. Yesterday they hit 5.23.

Yes, there is global bond market carnage but once again, Britain is in the worst possible position to weather instability.

Decisions on spending and borrowing are having a direct impact on confidence in our country.

When it comes to 25-year UK government bond rates, they're at their highest rate in nearly 30 years.

Interest rate hikes can only be a matter of time, and any headroom Burnham may have hoped for in the Budget has evaporated.

It's hardly surprising that he was looking and sounding downbeat yesterday . . . winter is coming.

STARMER STEALS THE THUNDER

FOR Sir Keir Starmer, revenge was a dish served GREEN.

Word is the ex-PM did not even bother tipping off No10 he was resigning his seat in the Commons – on the day the man who knifed him had his first big day at the office.

You could see what Burnham's big electoral strategy was going to be . . .

Bash Brexit, hype up climate change, keep away from Trump and go hard after our ally Israel – all in a desperate bid to unite the Left and lure back some LibDem voters. Bleeding voters to the Greens, his paint-by-numbers approach to foreign policy, so far, has been far from subtle.

And it was showing signs of life, as Zack Polanski's party slumped and Burnham got a moderate bounce in the polls.

All while the Right remains hopelessly divided as Reform and the Tories battle for supremacy.

Inevitably, the early election chatter has simply refused to die: Burnham would be mad not take advantage of this electorally lucrative battle ground. But now Sir Keir has thrown a mega spanner in the works.

Triggering a by-election in his lefty North London seat, dominated by graduates and ethnic minorities, he's handed Wacko Zacko a major shot at entering Parliament and upending Burnham's entire strategy with a Green resurgence.

You'd have to have a heart of stone not to laugh . . .

SPANNER IN WORKS . . . ex-leader

Quids in . . . Sporty

£1m for Mel C in bumper year's toil

EXCLUSIVE by RYAN PARRY

SINGER Mel C raked in more than £1million last year from her solo work and Spice Girls royalties.

Sporty Spice, 52, made £550,000 from one-woman shows, including a DJ tour of the UK, Ibiza and Australia, accounts show.

They cover the year to August 31, figures from her touring company Red Girl Media Ltd show.

She also made £300,000 from solo royalties plus her share of £600,000 of Spice Girls royalties, says her publishing firm Red Girl Productions Ltd.

Cash is set to keep rolling in as the accounts do not cover the release of album Sweat, which came out this May.

Mel, who married Australian model Chris Dingwall, 47, in July, is also set to start a solo world tour, including gigs in London, Birmingham and Glasgow, in October.

Tiphaine . . & Antoine

Macron's family in new age gap love

By HARVEY GEH

THE daughter of France's First Lady has fallen in love with a student 20 years her junior – in an echo of mum Brigitte Macron's relationship with the French President.

Tiphaine Auzière, 42, appeared besotted with new boyfriend Antoine Lecomte, 22, in a social media holiday photo.

Their 20-year age gap bears a striking similarity to the one between Brigitte, 73, and 48-year-old French leader Emmanuel Macron.

Tiphaine met business student Lecomte while he was working as a kitesurfing instructor.

A friend of the French President's stepdaughter told Gala magazine: "It was immediately obvious between them."

Mr Macron was a 15-year-old student when he first met Brigitte.

She was a married mum of three and a teacher at the private school he attended.

THAT'S MAGIC!

Picture: GETTY

By ELLIE HENMAN

HOLLYWOOD actress Sandra Bullock conjures up a fashion statement in a huge collar — as she poses with co-star Nicole Kidman.

The pair reunited in LA for the US premiere of their film, Practical Magic 2.

Sandra, 62, and Nicole, 59, reprised their roles as witches Sally and Gillian Owens for the sequel to the 1998 film.

Magic moment . . . stars in 1998 fantasy romance

DYSON GIZMO

DON'T FORGET YOUR £420 TOOTH BRUSH

Open wide, tech a look . . Dyson CameraJet brush

Floss using tiny cam

By ODHRAN GALLAGHER

DYSON has launched a high-tech toothbrush that flosses and mouthwashes too — but it will set you back £420.

The CameraJet uses a macro lens and AI along with a light to scan where it is brushing 28 times a second.

When the toothbrush detects plaque in the gaps inbetween teeth, it fires a burst of mouthwash to flush it away – combining toothbrushing with how a water flosser works.

The images from inside your mouth are also beamed live to your phone via built-in wifi and bluetooth.

Inventor Sir James Dyson said at yesterday's launch: "People consistently miss the areas where plaque forms: the gaps between teeth. We wanted to solve three fundamental problems: how to see those gaps, remove plaque, and improve cleaning performance while brushing."

Squirt . . . mouthwash

The brush's AI was trained on half a million dental images. Mouthwash goes in a refillable tank in the handle. Dyson has also designed a non-foaming toothpaste so the camera doesn't get covered in suds.

Accused . . . Dr Ali

‘Hamas’ NHS doc in blast at Israel

By MIKE SULLIVAN

AN NHS doctor accused of supporting terrorist group Hamas told a judge she was being “persecuted by the Jewish lobby”.

Dr Rehiana Ali, 46, was also accused of stirring up racial hatred when she appeared in court yesterday.

The hearing was told Dr Ali showed support for Hamas in posts on X and in a WhatsApp message between October 2024 and March 2025.

The Cambridge-educated consultant neurologist – who has worked as a doctor for more than two decades – told Westminster magistrates’ court: “I’m being persecuted by the Jewish lobby.

“I’ve been falsely accused – with trumped-up political claims by the Israeli government.”

Dr Ali, of Bradford, was released on unconditional bail ahead of a plea and trial preparation hearing at the Old Bailey on September 25.

Victim . . . Erin

Top U.S. banker stabbed to death

By BETHAN MOSS

A TOP bank exec has been killed in a double stabbing in New York.

The killer, a woman wielding two knives, was shot dead by police in New York’s Times Square on Monday afternoon.

Bank of America chief Erin Piacenti, 32, was stabbed in the stomach and later died in hospital.

She had recently celebrated her second wedding anniversary.

A 68-year-old man was yesterday in a stable condition in hospital.

Footage showed Pamela Cisneros, 49, refusing to drop two blades.

She was tasered twice, then shot by police and later died of her injuries.

Witnesses said Cisneros also threatened tourists.

Cops described her as “emotionally disturbed”.

New York Police Department Commissioner Jessica Tisch later said Cisneros had a “documented mental health history with the NYPD”.

A TELLY COLOSSUS IS BACK...

OLD GUARD . . . Dermot O’Leary, Sharon Osbourne, Simon Cowell, Nicole Scherzinger and Louis Walsh on The X Factor in 2014. *Right*, Sun on Sunday exclusive

EXCLUSIVE By
ROD McPHEE
TV Editor

FOR eight years there has been a giant hole in the TV schedule where The X Factor once was – but now Simon Cowell is rebooting it for Gen Z.

When the huge talent show is revived by ITV, likely next year, viewer interaction through TikTok and YouTube will be centre stage.

A social media-friendly judging panel will front up the all-singing, all-clicking action and names in the frame are likely to include acts such as Pink Pantheress, Yungblud, Raye and Cheryl Tweedy.

It will take to the next level an approach that has already brought in big audiences, and bucks, for Cowell’s other ITV baby, Britain’s Got Talent – where the panel features social media sensation KSI.

Simon is now hoping this 50/50 mix of traditional telly and social media can woo teenagers and twenty-somethings who never knew the Saturday night format that once held court in households up and down the land but was put on ice in 2018.

It could add spice to the show’s long-running rivalry with the BBC’s Strictly Come Dancing, which has also been trying to get in step with younger viewers.

BIG HITTERS . . . BGT’s YouTube has had 27.5billion views, helped by most-watched Calum Scott, *below*

Wildcard choices

An insider said: “The re-invention of The X Factor is set to deliver the first TV show of its kind – one that isn’t just a programme with bolt-on social media elements but has social media deeply integrated into the format.

“It’s a way to bring in the young audience who, back in the day, were the mainstay of the talent show.

“People who watched The X Factor from the start are now in their forties and fifties and more likely to access it by traditional means – either tuning in on a Saturday or watching later on catch-up service ITVX.

“But now the young consume things so differently.

“They watch everything in bite-sized chunks which the link-up with TikTok and YouTube as well as other forms of social media will provide them with.

“Just as important, however, is the level of interaction that social media will provide for viewers.”

Although neither ITV nor production firm Talkback Thames have yet confirmed The X Factor’s return, it is understood they are looking at some radical proposals.

These could include a shake-up of the old audition process so contestants upload pre-recorded performances online where the public then give them a **YES** *or* **NO**.

Social media users may also get the power to make wildcard choices and bring back acts they wish had not left the process – even if they might be just joke acts they feel sorry for. They could even decide, from the comfort of their sofa, what songs performers sing and what themes each show would have.

The whole point is to incorporate the viewer into the experience, not just have them watch from afar and only be able to vote an act through at the end of a live show.

The new proposals would involve them from the start to the end of the process and each contestant’s journey could be charted on TikTok and Instagram.

It may all sound like a huge leap from the old show, but Simon has long hinted that there were big changes in the pipeline and a new and improved X Factor might not be far away.

During an interview in 2024, he said: “I am going to do something brand new. It’s going to be hard work but I’m excited. I haven’t signed the contract yet . . . so I can say no more.”

The beauty of The X Factor is that although Simon’s new target audience will not have seen the old show live, they have a brand awareness of the format that launched One Direction and Little Mix – and that much is invaluable to producers.

Simon is amazed youngsters have such interest in the show even though it has not been on air for years.

He said: “When young people approach me on the street, all they want to know is when The X Factor will be coming back. They all watch it on YouTube.

“When we stopped the show, I thought there was no need for it – that everyone would be signed from YouTube. But there are so many people wanting to be signed that we

KSI
52M
FOLLOWERS

YUNGBLUD
16.9M
FOLLOWERS

PINK PANTHERESS
10.8M
FOLLOWERS

Gen Z

YOUTUBE & TIKTOK

REVAMPED FOR A SOCIAL MEDIA AGE

BLITZ TO LURE YOUNG VIEWERS

could use that extra platform." Tellingly, in the same interview, he also said: "I would only do it again if we could go back to where the show started, if we could find some great people and create those TV moments that live for ever."

Classic X Factor moments, after the show's launch in 2004, still get huge viewer numbers online.

Cyber royalty

The X Factor's official YouTube channel has 9.2million subscribers, and the top ten most-watched auditions have clocked up a total of **1.1BILLION** views.

That viewer familiarity could be crucial because introducing British TV audiences to new concepts is ever harder in the competitive media market. Having a format people know is a bonus. Talking last week at the Edinburgh International Television Festival, Kevin Lygo, ITV's Managing Director, Media and Entertainment, said: "It's harder and harder now to bring people to new shows.

"That's why you're seeing more and more reboots everywhere."

Tellingly, he added: "Honestly, if one in eight becomes the next Britain's Got Talent, that's a win."

Britain's Got Talent has reset the bar for ITV entertainment shows, which has inspired the rethink at The X Factor.

BGT clips can be found on the BGT YouTube channel and have been watched **27.5BILLION** times. Series 19 alone, aired earlier this year, featured clips seen 1.8billion times. Each view earns a little money – and it adds up to millions.

The most watched of all the BGT YouTube videos are, tellingly for The X Factor, auditions of singers who have appeared on the show.

The most-watched clip is Calum Scott's cover of Dancing On My Own, which got 407million views.

Six of the top ten videos, with a total viewing figure of one billion, are singers.

It proves that a music act still cuts it, compared with other, more new-fangled and often outlandish forms of entertainment.

BGT has also benefitted from the presence on its panel of KSI – the British influencer, musician and former pro boxer.

Between Instagram and TikTok, he commands 25million followers and on YouTube his channel has 19million subscribers. Throw in his 8.1million X faithful and the grand total tops 52million. It means he can hugely increase the numbers watching BGT clips – particularly if they feature him either passing judgment on the panel or joining in with one of the acts.

That is why Cowell and Co are now looking at drawing on similar British cyber royalty for their potential new showpiece.

One likely recruit could be singer Pink Pantheress, who has had six billion streams on Spotify and, between Instagram and TikTok, has 10.8million followers.

Singers Raye with nine million viewers between Instagram and TikTok, and Yungblud, followed by 16.9million, may also be in the conversation.

If all three stars joined the panel – maybe alongside former Girls Aloud singer Cheryl, with 8.1million followers on Instagram and X, and Cowell himself with 3.5million fans on Instagram and TikTok – that is a grand and almighty total of 48.3million followers.

Crucially, it would overtake the 47million total following of all 15 contestants on the upcoming Strictly Come Dancing, as well as the pros, put together.

The past rivalry between the two shows was very real, and this could intensify further if The X Factor steps back in the ring.

It would be a mighty showdown and ITV would come out all guns blazing because, for the first time in years, they could finally have a weapon that might see them wrestle from the Beeb dominance of the Saturday night schedule.

Surely, only The X Factor could attract enough GenZers online to stage that coup.

COMING SOON . . . all-star fun

CHAMP SERIES AT BGT

By FELICITY CROSS
Deputy TV Editor

BRITAIN'S Got Talent will stage an all-stars version next year after the main series – to celebrate the ITV show's 20th birthday.

Bonus spin-off The Champions will run in autumn 2027, with five pre-recorded shows and a live final.

Ant and Dec will return next year as BGT hosts, with Simon Cowell, Amanda Holden, Alesha Dixon and KSI back as judges.

The all-star series will unite outstanding winners, finalists and fan favourites from the UK and across the programme's global spin-offs, all competing to become the ultimate champion.

Acts likely to battle it out include street-dance duo Twist And Pulse, real names Ashley Glazebrook and Glen Murphy, who were runners-up in 2010 and won a previous series of BGT The Champions in 2019.

Filming for the regular show's 20th series will begin next month in Blackpool.

Meanwhile, Ant and Dec will also launch their own new ITV show called Holey Moley, based on extreme crazy golf.

The four-parter is expected to air in early 2027.

WINNERS . . . Twist And Pulse on BGT 2019

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No10 must know it's bad manors to snoop on homes

WHEN Labour came to power just over two years ago (it feels like 12 already) Sir Keir Starmer promised to "tread more lightly on your lives".

Yet now it seems that government-funded "inspectors" will be authorised to enter our homes and have a good snoop around for signs of possible "mansion owner" status.

This includes a nice view, a pool, a double garage, stables etc, as well as more than one bathroom.

And if we tell them to stick their ID badge where the sun don't shine and get off our front porch, it will be classed as a criminal offence and punishable by a fine of up to £200.

It's treading lightly Stasi-style.

And if all this sounds like a bad joke, you won't be laughing when you learn that it's already laid out in an HMRC tax manual obtained under freedom of information laws.

So if you have a conservatory or, God help you, an en suite so you don't have to share with the kids, you're going to have to develop Nicola "what Winnebago" Sturgeon levels of denial to avoid being taxed on the house you bought and renovated with money you'd already paid tax on.

Meanwhile, whatever you do, don't try to make your neighbourhood look a little nicer or you also might find yourself feeling the, ahem, light tread of the state too.

Katharine Hoskyns, 89, placed a row of pretty plant pots and a bench along her outer wall in London's St John's Wood over 25 years ago and it became a local oasis for neighbours to admire.

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ADMIRED . . . Katharine and pots she was told to remove

But now Westminster City Council have ordered her to remove them after a "series of complaints from residents" who claim the site is attracting "antisocial behaviour".

Ms Hoskyns says there's just one neighbour who doesn't like it (there's always one) and has now garnered 190 signatures from locals who would like to keep it.

So watch this space. But meanwhile, the pavements of London and many other cities are littered with discarded e-bike rentals, chewing gum, dog mess, overflowing bins and other unsightly scourges that councils appear to ignore.

And don't get us started on the traveller sites that always seem to spring up on a bank holiday weekend when councils are having a few days off from their, er, arduous schedule.

Once the tarmac is laid and the caravans are in place, it can take months, sometimes years, for locals to see any action from planners who are quick to harangue the rest of us about, say, a hedge overhanging the pavement.

So a round of applause to the villagers near Sawbridgeworth, Herts who, together with their local council and the police, managed to thwart the first phase of a potential travellers' site in what's being described as The Battle of Sheering Mill Lane.

Hoorah! At last, a victory for common sense.

Mind you, the land is a "wetland habitat" so there's every chance the High Court injunction that temporarily blocked the travellers was served on behalf of an endangered animal rather than the poor human creatures that live nearby.

But still, this is the kind of "treading lightly" we can get behind.

GRIEF . . . lad at match

BOYS' LOSS IS SO SAD

STEPPING out with their dad's favourite team Manchester United should have been the happiest day of their lives for two young mascots at the weekend.

Except their dad was PC Matthew Blades, 37, *below*, killed with his colleague Tom Clough when their police car was hit head-on by five youths driving the wrong way down the A66 in Middlesbrough. His sons' names and ages haven't been released, but the oldest is possibly around seven or eight.

And despite his youth and the general excitement of the occasion, his sad, distracted expression tells you that he already knows his life has been changed for ever by the selfish stupidity of others.

TAX ON SCHOOL SHAME

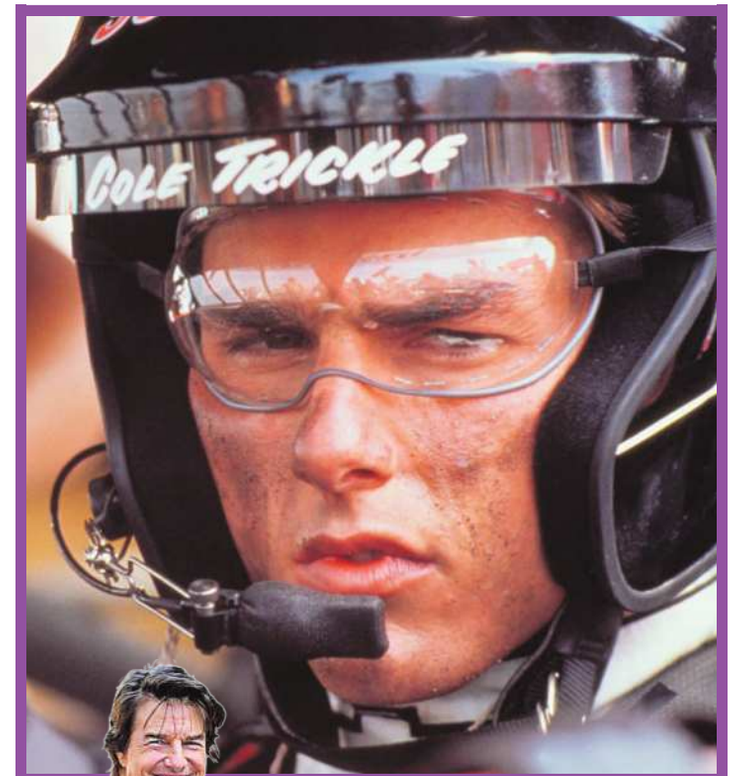
ENERGY Secretary Miatta Fahnbulleh has defended the decision to send all three of her children to a private school.

She has also doubled down on her support for Labour's policy to scrap the VAT exemption on private school fees – a move that has forced several independent schools to close after a drop in pupils.

She says it's "the right thing for the state to decide that we're not going to cross-subsidise parents that do make that choice to send their children to independent schools and we're going to put that money into the state sector where the majority of kids go. That is the right policy".

But surely, those parents are actually cross-subsidising the Government because they're paying for state school places via their taxes yet choosing not to use them?

So it's a shameful tax on education, plain and simple.



Trickle back in the flow lane

THE original Days Of Thunder in 1990 was one of those films you went to see with your boyfriend because he liked fast cars.

I remember very little about it – except that then heart-throb Tom Cruise's character was called Cole Trickle, which struck me as curiously unsexy.

And now DOT2 is in production and Tom/Mr Trickle is in his sixties, it takes on a whole new meaning.

VICTIMS want the general data on migrant crime to be made public, but the Government is refusing to do so.

Which perhaps tells you all you need to know.

If it was noticeably low, they'd be singing it from the rooftops of Westminster.

PRISON laundry rooms are to be turned into cells to try to alleviate overcrowding.

Alternatively, why not fit all cells with a washing machine and make doing the laundry part of the occupant's punishment?

As a policy, it's no less daft.

Former Cabinet minister Jonathan Aitken, who once did a jail term himself for perjury and now works as a prison chaplain, says part of the problem is the "recall prisoners" who are back behind bars for non-criminal breaches of probation rules.

Astonishingly, in London's HMP Pentonville where he preaches, there are more probation recalls (for missed appointments, curfew breaches etc) than actual sentenced prisoners. Madness.

He suggests that penalties other than re-imprisonment would free up much-needed space for those who really should be behind bars.

Well it sure beats the current policy of releasing violent criminals early.

ALL MOUTH . . . brothers

TATES' WORLD A JOKE

AS if their former PA saying they were both "nice" wasn't bad enough, the Tate brothers have seen a further unravelling of their supposed "tough guy" image.

Fighting extradition to the UK on sex charges, their lawyers have now argued that Andrew and Tristan aren't as wealthy as everyone seems to think.

Apparently, the $50million superyacht they were reported to have bought with cryptocurrency belonged to someone else and they were merely being paid to advertise it.

Likewise, the flashy cars were all leased, and the multiple passports they flashed online were actually cardboard props.

The lawyers have mitigated that it was all just a marketing ploy to try to sell their online "get rich quick" courses to fans in the "manosphere".

It seems that the castle these guys claimed to be king of was actually made from sand.

So perhaps it won't be sex charges that facilitate their long overdue downfall . . . it will simply be ridicule.

DROP IT HARRY

MEGHAN and Harry are reportedly worried about security on their forthcoming school run in the UK.

They shouldn't fret.

I was speaking to someone at the weekend whose children attend the same school as Princess Beatrice's daughter, who is nearly five.

And apparently, the late Queen's granddaughter drops off and picks up without fear, fuss or favour.

So the late Queen's grandson, his wife and their five-year-old can low-key do the same.

NEPAL: 119 ARE SAVED

Hope amid tragedy

A BRIT is believed to be among more than 100 people missing in Nepal who were miraculously rescued yesterday — nearly a week after the deadly floods.

Nepal's army said the Briton was among 119 found alive – as the death toll topped 1,000.

Authorities confirmed they had now recovered 1,050 bodies in Nepal, with China finding another 16 victims in Tibet. Almost 4,500 are still missing, including 48 Brits, with many on a pilgrimage to Mount Kailash.

They include Hindu priest Nabhi Nandan Das, 64, from Surrey, whose family are travelling to Nepal to search.

Dee Shah, whose mother is Nabhi's cousin, said: "They just want closure."

Two workmen were saved from a power plant tunnel after getting trapped when a torrent of water, mud and ice hit the Nepal-Tibet border last Wednesday. More than 900 are feared to be stuck in 11 tunnels.

From AMIR RAZAVI
in Kathmandu, Nepal

Ashar Maga, 31, has not heard from 16 relatives there. She said: "There's no hope."

Respect . . . in Tibet

As rescuers held a minute's silence for the victims, charity Save the Children has warned young survivors crammed into shelters face an increased risk of illness.

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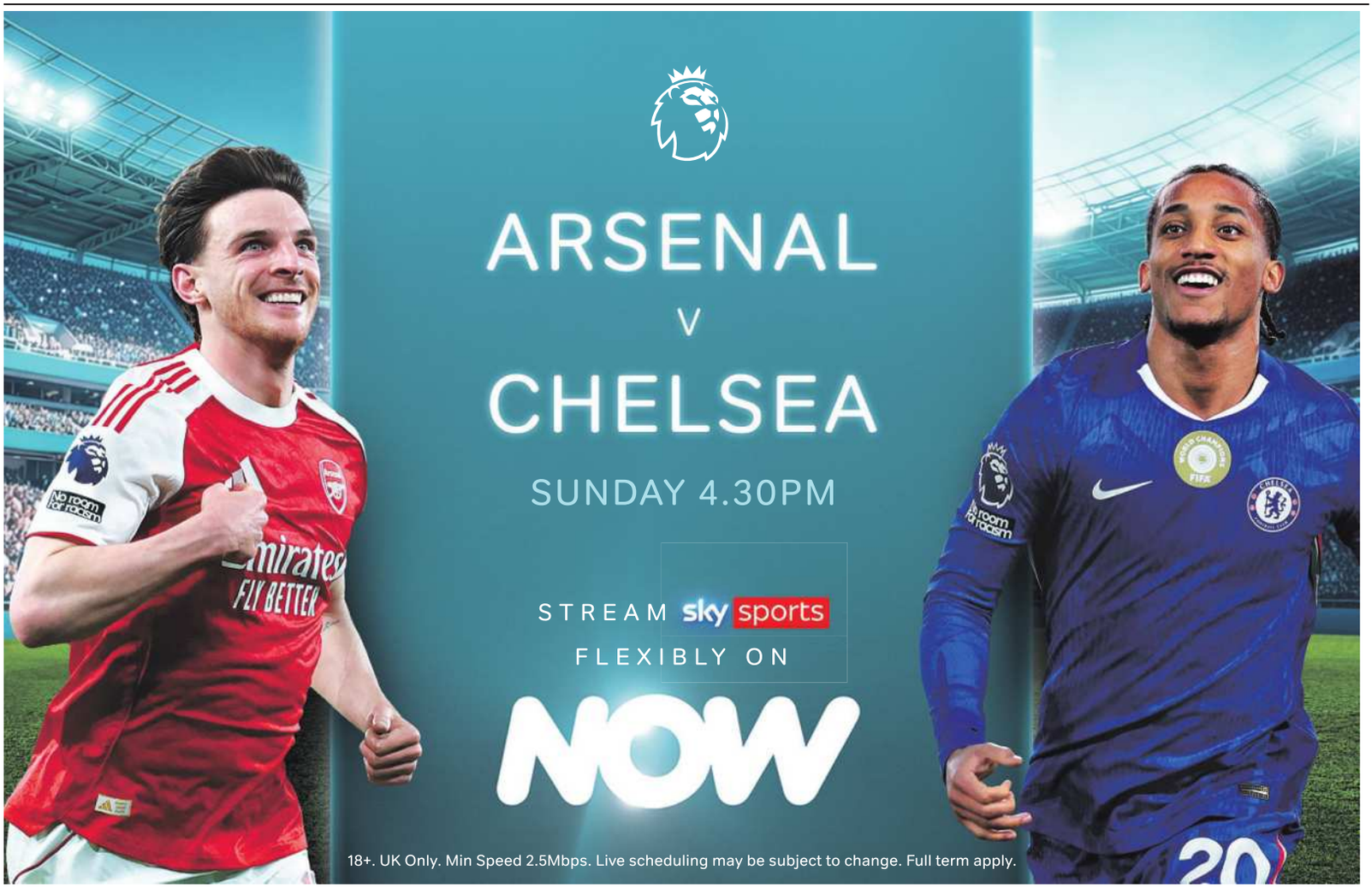

Attacks . . . seagulls

Chippy's insured for theft by gulls

By ODHRAN GALLAGHER

A CHIP shop favoured by celebrities has started offering free seagull insurance to protect against pilfered portions.

Peter's Fish Factory in Margate, Kent, vowed to replace any diner's fish and chips stolen by the airborne thieves.

Insurance comparison website Compare the Market stumped up £1,000 to cover the cost of missing meals – hailed as Britain's first Gull Guarantee. It will last until the cash runs out.

The seaside chippy, said to be one of the best in the country, counts Queen of Pop Madonna among visitors. Other celeb customers include singer Lily Allen, film-maker Sam Mendes and actress Olivia Colman.

Research has revealed greedy gulls may be costing the nation £171million a year in stolen grub.

Some 72 per cent of Britons said their chips had been targeted.

Wedding . . Choudhury

Jailed for £92k con at cancer charity

By ZARA QURESHI

A BREAST cancer charity finance worker who stole £91,966 from it to pay for his lavish wedding in Qatar was jailed for 30 months yesterday.

Tameem Choudhury, 29, siphoned cash from the Royal Marsden Hospital for Breast Cancer Now into his own bank account, the High Court was told.

He spent £49,000 in two days on tickets to Qatar, wedding expenses and his honeymoon.

It included a vast amount on luxury items, settling bills with debt collection agencies and transferring money to family members. Santander closed his account due to his suspicious activity, leaving £42,866.

Choudhury, of Stoke Newington, North London, admitted fraud and money laundering.

The charity said it has reviewed its processes and has not experienced any financial loss.

TRIBUTES TO PUB LANDLADY

Well-liked . . . landlady Becca had 'grace and dignity'

BECCA, 31, KNIFED TO DEATH IN GERMANY

Man, 27, held over killing

EXCLUSIVE by NICK PARKER and ODHRAN GALLAGHER

A BRITISH pub landlady and charity fundraiser stabbed to death at a railway station in Germany has been described by pals as a "breath of fresh air".

Rebecca Bullock, 31, suffered multiple knife wounds and died in hospital shortly after the apparently motiveless attack just before 1am on Sunday.

She had been on her way to support a friend at a funeral in Austria.

Police quickly arrested a 27-year-old homeless man, a German citizen, near the railway station in Rosenheim, Bavaria.

Locals praised popular Becca, who ran The White Swan pub in Whitchurch, Bucks.

Floral tributes were left outside the boozer where the keen runner and horsewoman held charity events, most recently to help pay for treatment for a seriously ill girl.

Richard Shuffill, 82, vice-chairman of the parish council in the village, which is home to 1,000, said: "Becca had only been here a couple of years but she was like a breath of fresh air and turned The Swan around.

"It's the only pub in the village but she threw herself into her work to make it the centre of the community. It was impossible not to like her. She was always pleasant and friendly. No one can believe what's happened and she will be terribly missed.

"Her death has come as a real shock and it's a huge loss to our community. I only saw her Saturday lunchtime and then 12 hours later – bless her – she is no longer with us."

Rebecca's social media posts showed that she loved dogs, enjoyed walking and she wrote she was "happiest when I'm up a mountain or on a horse".

She ran the 2022 London Marathon to raise money for the Spinal Injuries Association and completed gruelling Ironman events.

She had been working all hours to help turn her high street pub into a thriving community hub and put on music, quiz and bingo nights.

Friend Kirsty Hawkshaw, a musician, posted on Facebook: "She was our local landlady who was on her way to support a friend at a funeral in Austria. She was an old soul and everyone always felt safe and secure."

Kirsty said Rebecca had "turned the local around" and was "a true professional in hospitality with grace and dignity".

She added: "We are devastated for her loss and for the loss her family. Her beautiful dog was our dog's best friend. Our whole community know her and are processing slowly in shock and are in mourning."

Rebecca's alleged killer appeared in court on suspicion of murder and was moved to a secure psychiatric hospital. Police want anyone who may have seen "an argument or physical altercation" at the train station early on Sunday to contact them.

Rosenheim mayor Abuzar Erdogan said the circumstances and "motive behind the crime" were under urgent investigation. The Foreign Office said it was supporting the family of a British woman who died in Germany and were in touch with local authorities.

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Touching . . . flowers left outside the pub

Scene . . . Rosenheim railway station

JAY-Z'S SQUARING UP

JAY-Z has taken over London's Trafalgar Square with a huge pop-up attraction to celebrate his two shows at the Tottenham Stadium this Friday and Saturday.

The immersive installation features huge TV sets showing videos by the US rapper, *left*, along with performances dating back to 2001, as well as a merchandise shop.

It is open daily until Saturday, from 11am to 7pm.

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ARI TEARS AT FINAL SHOW

ARIANA GRANDE broke down in tears last night as she performed at what could be her final-ever concert.

The We Can't Be Friends singer and Wicked actress wrapped up her Eternal Sunshine Tour at London's O2 Arena, with her proud mum JOAN and boyfriend RICKY ALVAREZ watching on.

After taking her final bow, I'm told Ari, Joan and Ricky – along with the closest members of her team – headed to a top-secret location in London to celebrate the end of her ten-date O2 residency.

Although Ariana is going out on a high, it's a shame she feels she has been backed into a corner.

The reason she is stepping back from public life is because she can no longer stand the constant scrutiny about her health and body – parroted at her online by people who have never even met her.

Talking about her latest decision, Ariana said: "Boundaries need to be set. Human beings need a break sometimes.

"And also, this can be, and will continue to be, the greatest experience of my professional and creative life.

"So, I just wanted to make that quite plain."

Awestruck by vocals

But watching her last night and during another of the dates on this run, I was awestruck by Ariana's phenomenal vocal and her high-energy performance.

She deserves every second of the new life she is going to carve out.

I can only hope she's left in peace . . .

And that the keyboard warriors who think they know more about her body than she actually does can have a long, hard think about the next comment they write underneath her photographs online.

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FINAL CURTAIN . . . Ariana at the O2

PISTOLS FIRE OFF UK DATES

SEX PISTOLS ft. **FRANK CARTER** have announced six more shows on their Anarchy In The UK: 50 Years Of Punk Tour.

The band, *below*, made up of **STEVE JONES**, **GLEN MATLOCK** and **PAUL COOK**, unveiled the extra dates last night with Frank.

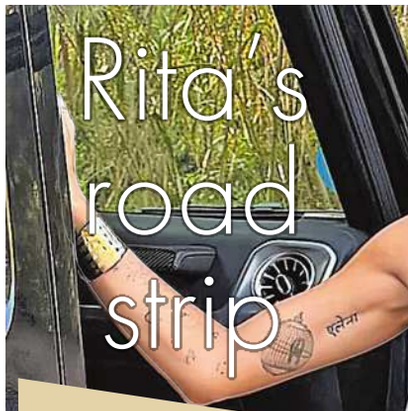
They will now play Leeds on December 4, then Newcastle the next day.

And on December 12, they will do a Liverpool gig before heading to Birmingham on December 14, then Portsmouth the following day and Bristol on December 16.

Steve told me: "We're having a blast. We're like a well-oiled machine and Frank really gets the crowd going.

"Every person in the audience loves these songs as much as we do, and it's an absolute pleasure to get out there and play them."

Rita's road strip



RITA ORA got racy in a bikini – as she stripped down during a road trip.

The Hot Right Now singer wore the silver two-piece to drive to the beach in her Mercedes G-Wagon on holiday in South Africa.

Rita has spent the past few weeks partying and sunbathing her way across Poland, Ibiza and South Africa.

And it turns out her best pal, former Towie star VAS MORGAN, is as jealous as we are of Rita's summer adventures, posting under her pics on Instagram: "This silver bikini has travelled more than me this summer!"

It's travelled more than me in the past three years, Vas.

TYNE TO THAMES . . . Vicky

PATT ON THE BACK FOR VICKY

HEART radio host **VICKY PATTISON** is taking on a 250-mile Tyne To Thames challenge for Global's Make Some Noise.

The former Geordie Shore star will kayak, cycle and run from Newcastle to the Heart studios in London over five days from October 5. She will stop off in York, Sheffield, Nottingham and Leicester.

Make Some Noise helps finance charities tackling poverty, homelessness, domestic abuse, mental health and disabilities.

Vicky, who presents on Heart on Saturday afternoons, said: "I'm at my happiest on the sofa, in my comfies, with my dogs, so this is the opposite of my usual idea of a good time.

"I'm under no illusion that this is going to be tough.

"But if I can push myself out of my comfort zone, get a few blisters and raise a load of money, I'll consider every ache worth it.

"Global's Make Some Noise supports incredible projects led by small, local charities doing life-changing work."

Sam's tat a banger

SAM SMITH has made no secret of having a thirst for wurst.

And now the Stay With Me singer has paid the ultimate tribute to this love of sausages – by having one tattooed on a leg. Sam showed off the new inking during a day out at the Lido Festival in East London.

The enormous banger runs down the inside of Sam's left leg, with the word "Sauwsaggees" written inside it.

Sam, dressed in a shorts, shoes and socks combo, is no stranger to food tattoos. The singer already has inkings including a Chinese turnip cake and a jar of Marmite

It's making me hungry just looking at it.

TAYLOR SWIFT and hubby TRAVIS KELCE's new pet dog has gone viral.

Their fans went wild when it was revealed by NFL star Travis that the fluffy white pooch is called Wendy.

The Kansas City Chiefs player has been filming a new advert for TOMMY HILFIGER.

Surely the front cover of Dogue now beckons . . .

ALEX IS WILD FOR TOP SPOT

ALEX WARREN is racing toward No1 in the albums chart with his new record Wildchild – the nickname his late father gave him.

It is on course to peak this Friday, giving the singer, *below*, his second consecutive chart-topper after 2024 debut You'll Be Alright Kid (Chapter 1).

COURTEENERS' compilation record, God Bless The Band, is at No2, while chart veterans **BANANA-RAMA** are enjoying a resurgence after the 40th-anniversary reissue of their 1986 album True Confessions, which is flying high at No3.

Band members **KEREN WOODWARD**, **SARA DALLIN** and **SIOBHAN FAHEY** said: "We've been overwhelmed by the love our fans have shown us for the reissue of this album."

ELLIE HENMAN'S

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FRESH from his shows at Reading & Leeds Festivals, SOMBR, *below*, has confirmed he will play a headline set at London's O2 Arena next year on June 22.

The concert, part of his You Are The Reason Tour, will follow a series of festival gigs in Ireland and the UK, with shows in Dublin on June 15 and Belfast on June 17 then Glasgow's Summer Sessions on June 19.

HER new film The Death Of Robin Hood wasn't the most relaxing to make. But JODIE COMER has told how mentor and friend STEPHEN GRAHAM kept her calm.

In a chat with JORDAN NORTH, CHRIS STARK and SIAN WELBY on Capital Breakfast, Jodie, *right*, said: "Stephen sends me meditation videos or little passages from books he's reading. He keeps me grounded."

MILEY'S LOVE MAXXING ON NEW ALBUM

'Emotional' release about singer's romance

MILEY CYRUS has finally confirmed she is dropping her full name and will now be known simply as Miley.

The move comes as she announces her tenth album, Bass Persuades, which is released on September 18.

Fans will get a chance to hear tracks live for the first time at two huge shows at the Hollywood Bowl next month.

Miley released details of her new record last night, revealing its gothic-inspired artwork. It also features ten tracks, including Let's Get Married, Innocent Ways and Different Religion, a collaboration with rock band **MODEL/ACTRIZ**.

Miley said: "Music takes hold of us. We feel it, sing it, sometimes dance to it, let it out and carry on. It is powerful, vulnerable, sweet and strong.

"Heart full, heartache, every part of life in between. That's what the title means to me." The record is her first with new label Atlantic, after she left Columbia following her prevous album Something Beautiful, which was released in May 2025.

A source said: "Miley is so proud of Bass Persuades.

"It's an emotional album and leans into her relationship with her fiancé **MAXX MORANDO**. Bass Persuades ushers in a new era for Miley and she can't wait for her fans to hear what she's been working on."

Miley has called on fashion photographer **MERT ALAS** to create a visual spectacular for the record, while fashion consultant Alastair McKimm, who was behind her incredible Wonderland Magazine cover shoot, also collaborated on it. Further hints about the album's direction can be found in Miley's shows at the Hollywood Bowl on October 16 and 18, where she will be supported by Model/Actriz.

GOTHIC LOOK . . . album

She worked with the group's frontman **COLE HADEN** on Something Beautiful, and he co-wrote the lyrics to the title track. Insiders said Miley would use this era to honour her godmother **DOLLY PARTON**, who died last week.

A source said: "Miley and Dolly were so close, and music bonded them more than anyone will ever know.

"These shows will allow Miley the chance to honour Dolly in her own way."

Miley said earlier that Bass Persuades was a "love story", inspired by finding peace with herself and Maxx, who proposed last year.

I think the album's title could be linked to the moment he popped the question. Maxx had to push for Miley to follow him into a garden in Tokyo that he had planned to propose in.

Miley is expected to drop her first single in the days leading up to the release.

Forget lifemaxxing, when you optimise all areas of your life, with this new era, Miley is lovemaxxing.

KISS . . . couple mark Miley's Walk of Fame star in May

PARK IT . . . Jonathan has quit show

SHOCK AS JON ANNOUNCES GRANDE EXIT FROM MUSICAL

WICKED actor JONATHAN BAILEY has quit the theatre revival of Sunday In The Park With George – weeks after co-star ARIANA GRANDE.

Insiders revealed to The Sun's Biz On Sunday editor Hannah Hope that he threw in the towel last night.

It has caused a huge headache for theatre bosses as the production was supposed to open at the Barbican in London next summer.

A spokesman for the production confirmed Jonathan's exit and saidt: "Following Ariana Grande's withdrawal, Jonathan Bailey has informed the producers that he has also decided to step back.

"Work on the production continues. Casting discussions are actively under way and the creative team is reshaping the production around a new company while preserving the ambition and artistic integrity of STEPHEN SONDHEIM and JAMES LAPINE's musical. Further casting and production details will be announced in due course."

A theatre mole added: "It's a huge disappointment, but Jonathan wanted to show support for Ariana.

"When she said she was stepping back, he thought long and hard about continuing and decided that stepping away was the right thing to do."

Last Friday, we spotted Jonathan in the crowd at Ariana's London residency last Friday dancing like his life depended on it.

What a good mate, eh?

TROYE SIVAN has bared his soul on new album She's The Best.

The Aussie singer told Cultured Magazine of the record, out next month: "The new album feels like an almost uncomfortably true picture of my life during tour.

"I was building this reputation as a sexual, joyous pop figure.

"But I would do the shows, and then I would go home to empty hotel rooms.

"I'm a gay guy trying to date other gay guys who also happen to be the demographic that listens to my music.

"That has been very isolating."

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FANS of dark chocolate will love Lindt's new 100 per cent cocoa bar. The 50g treat has no added sugar and is said to have a rich and compex flavour. It's £3.50 from Sainsbury's.

Dino deals

FOSSIL FUN AND CHEAP WAYS OF DELVING INTO THE PAST

By LANA CLEMENTS

IF your kids are mad for dinosaurs, there are lots of roarsome ways for them to learn about their favourite topic.

From the terrifying T-rex to the docile Diplodocus, the prehistoric wonders have buckets of appeal.

Here's how to fuel children's imagination on a budget . . .

FOSSIL HUNT: Step back in time by hunting for ancient remains such as dinosaur teeth, bones, footprints or ammonites.

The Isle of Wight and island of Skye are two top spots for this, along with East Sussex, Dorset, Pembrokeshire and North Yorkshire.

After a storm is a good time to search, as rough seas break rocks and wash up new material, advises the National Trust. But do stay safe and avoid cliffs.

MUSEUM MARVELS: There are a number of free-entry museums across the country which are great for dinosaur fans.

The dino gallery at London's Natural History Museum is a must-see and features an animatronic T-Rex.

The Natural History Museum at Tring, Herts, and Oxford's Museum Of Natural History, are each also worth a visit.

Elsewhere, check out The National Museum Of Scotland or National Museum Cardiff, as well as Cambridge's Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences.

MAKE BELIEVE: If you can't get to a venue, the Natural History Museum website, nhm.ac.uk, has free online activities to try at home.

Make an origami dino, a salt-dough ammonite fossil or a hatching baby dino. You can also put your knowledge to the test with an online quiz and follow a guide for drawing your own dinosaur.

JURASSIC PARKS: Epic dino-themed parks can make a cheap and fantastic day out for enthusiasts. Try Crystal Palace, in South East London, for 30 life-size sculptures of extinct creatures, as well as the Teessaurus Park in Middlesbrough with its giant steel models, and the Dinosaur Island play zone at Southwater Country Park, in West Sussex.

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Sea fun . . . Weymouth

Summer of 2026 a record breaker

By PAUL SIMS

THIS summer was the warmest in the UK since records began in 1884, the Met Office said.

The average temperature across June, July and August was 16.5C, beating the previous high of 16.1C set only last year.

The top six warmest summers have all been this century, including three this decade.

Parts of the country saw five heatwaves this year, with the first two in May and June reportedly causing an estimated 2,877 deaths in England.

In the most recent heatwave, temperatures hit 38.1C in West London's Kew Gardens on August 13 – making it the hottest day of the year.

It made 2026 the first year to see three separate days where temperatures exceeded 37C.

Wildfires were also common across the UK – with one in the Cairngorms lasting for more than a month.

Diggers . . . Rochford

Second Bank Hol 'traveller' land grab

By JOHN LUCAS

TRAVELLERS bulldozed fields in a second Bank Holiday land grab as a police stand-off unfolded just 40 miles away.

Locals watched helplessly as lorries rolled on to a privately owned field before construction began in Rochford, Essex.

The local council told them to stop but they continued all weekend.

One resident said: "It's heartbreaking."

Rochford District Council leader Adi Malviya said: "This is a planning enforcement issue. The same procedures cannot be used as with an unauthorised incursion."

It came after travellers in Sawbridgeworth, Herts, began work on a flood plain just yards from Rod Stewart's country home.

They continued until a High Court injunction was served and police turfed off the illegal builders yesterday.

The court will rule if the travellers can settle.

BREAKTHROUGH 14 YEARS ON

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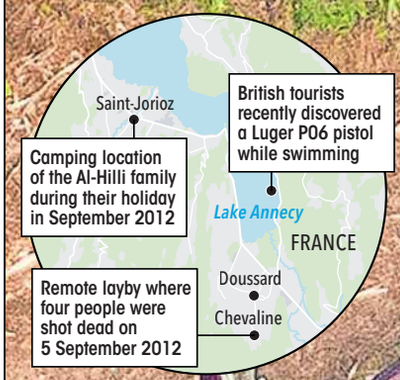

Murder scene . . . a pistol like the one found. Right, Lake Annecy and sketch of suspect biker

ALPS KILLINGS: PISTOL FOUND

By NICK PARKER, Foreign Editor

Luger fished from lake

A RARE gun which may have been used in the Alps murder of a British family 14 years ago has been found in a nearby lake.

The vintage pistol was fished out of Lake Annecy by police divers after it was spotted last month by Brit tourists.

Businessman Saad al-Hilli, 50, his wife Iqbal, 47, and mother-in-law Suhaila al-Allaf, 74, were executed in a nearby village in September 2012.

Daughters Zainab, seven, and Zeena, four, survived. French cyclist Sylvain Mollier, 45, was also shot dead. Fragments from the hand grip of a rare Luger PO6/29, Parabellum 7.65 pistol were found at the scene.

It is the same model as the Swiss army weapon recovered at the beauty spot in south east France.

Lake Annecy is up to 270ft deep but the pistol is understood to have been found in the shallows, suggesting it was tossed from the shore.

An investigating source revealed yesterday: "It was found in the water last week. The gun was immediately salvaged and rushed away for forensic analysis.

"The time it has spent in the water will clearly make analysis extremely complex, but the priority is to work out if it was the one used in the quadruple murder."

Police hope advanced technology may uncover DNA. The gun's serial number will also be checked as will the grip against the pieces found at the scene. Experts previously concluded the murder weapon was one of 940 Luger pistols made in 1935.

Mr Al-Hilli, a satellite engineer from Claygate, Surrey, his wife and mother-in-law were shot in their BMW car. Investigators have probed theories including their Iraqi nationality and potential links to toppled dictator Saddam Hussein.

Police also examined suggestions the hitman's main target could have been Mr Mollier and the British family were killed as witnesses.

Detectives circulated a sketch of a biker seen near the crime scene, but found no evidence to implicate a man arrested twice in 2015 and 2022.

Another fruitless line of inquiry was a possible row over inheritance.

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Estate . . . Woolas

Labour's Phil left a will worth £420,000

EXCLUSIVE by THOMAS GODFREY

EX-LABOUR minister Phil Woolas left £420,000 in his will.

The top political figure, who served as a minister under PMs Tony Blair and Gordon Brown, died in March aged 66 after a battle with brain cancer.

He was banned from Parliament in 2010 when an election court ruled he had lied about a Lib Dem opponent.

After leaving public office, he ran his own political consultancy firm.

Woolas, who served as MP for Oldham East and Saddleworth between 1997 and 2010, left an estate worth £446,000, reduced to £420,000 after costs.

Documents show the estate went to wife Tracey Allen. The couple's home in Brentford, West London, is held in a protection trust for their sons Joshua and Jed, after her death.

Bond . . . John and Paul

My son's kidney a life-saver for friend

By ALEX WEST

A WALKING footballer's life was saved after a teammate donated his late son's kidney to him.

Paul Nettleton's lad James died aged 35 after a bleed on the brain.

Paul and wife Andrea offered one of their boy's organs to John Blake – who was suffering with chronic kidney disease and needed a transplant to save his life.

Doctors warned them the odds of a match were two million to one.

But John is responding well after the transplant at Queen Alexandra Hospital in Portsmouth.

Paul, 75, and John, 68, met in 2017 while playing walking football for AFC Bournemouth.

John said: "I got the gift of life from Paul and his son James. I am just eternally grateful."

Paul said of his lad: "He was very caring, so we just knew he would want this to happen."

LUKE'S FLIGHTS SWAP

Luke at us . . . plane grub

EXCLUSIVE by RYAN PARRY

DARTS sensation Luke Littler has ditched budget flights for private planes.

The 19-year-old ace, who has previously flown with Ryanair despite his wealth, whisked girlfriend Faith Millar over to Germany in a luxury jet on Bank Holiday Monday.

Luke, who has celebrated wins with a kebab, shared snaps online — including a plate of posh canapes.

Littler, nicknamed The Nuke, won the world champion gong at the annual Sport Bild magazine awards in Hamburg.

FAMILY'S HORROR FIND

AMAZON KILLED MY PET RABBIT

Tragic . . . Bramble and parcel, right

Bramble ate rat poison after parcel split

By ELEANOR GUNN

A FAMILY are heartbroken after their pet rabbit ate rat poison from a split Amazon package and died.

Ian Bevis, 61, said the parcel came open when it was posted through his letterbox and "curious" rescue bunny Bramble went to investigate.

The painter and decorator had ordered the pellets after noticing mouse droppings at his home in Cheshunt, Herts.

Ian said: "We couldn't have been gone for more than an hour. Bramble was very special. If the grandkids were playing outside, he'd run around with them. Rabbits are naturally curious and Bramble would always go take a look if there was something new in the house.

"Amazon is telling me I should have had him locked up – but he always had the run of the house.

"I just keep thinking, 'What if it was a toddler?'. The pellets sort of look like sweets."

In an email seen by The Sun, an Amazon liability adjuster denied all responsibility for the incident. The message says: "Please confirm why you allowed your rabbits run of the house knowing the rat poison was due to be delivered that day."

A follow-up email adds: "You have a duty of care to your animals that Amazon and the delivery driver do not have." Amazon told us: "We are very sorry to hear about Mr Bevis' pet and are in direct contact with him."

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FIVE SOGGY-SANDWICH-FREE RECIPES

Broccoli & tomato puff pastry cheese straws

Makes 12 straws

YOU NEED:
150g broccoli florets
320g ready-roll puff pastry
1 egg, beaten
50g mature Cheddar, grated
6 cherry tomatoes, sliced

METHOD: Preheat the oven to 220C fan and line a baking sheet with non-stick baking paper.

Steam the broccoli for five minutes until soft, then leave to cool. Blend until smooth using a stick blender.

Unroll the pastry and slice in half lengthways. Brush the pastry with the beaten egg. Spread the broccoli puree over one piece of pastry and top with cheese and tomatoes.

Place the second piece of pastry on top and press down firmly.

Slice into 12 strips and twist each strip to make straws.

Delicious served with tomato salsa.

Mini cherry tomato & veggie frittatas

Makes 12

YOU NEED:
4 eggs, beaten
50g Parmesan, grated (or vegetarian alternative)
125g cooked new potatoes, diced
75g courgette, grated
3 tbsp sweetcorn
2 tbsp basil, chopped
100g cherry tomatoes, chopped

METHOD: Preheat the oven to 180C fan. Mix the ingredients in a bowl and season lightly.

Spoon the mixture into a 12-hole silicone muffin tray.

Bake in the oven for 20-25 minutes until set and lightly golden on top.

Delicious when served alongside your child's favourite raw veggies.

GREG WOODWARD & ANT DUNCAN

Quick pesto pasta with veggies

Makes one portion

YOU NEED:
100g fusilli pasta
50g broccoli florets
50g cherry tomatoes, chopped
2 tbsp pesto
20g Parmesan cheese, finely grated

METHOD: Cook the pasta in boiling water, according to the packet instructions.

Add the broccoli three minutes before the end of the cooking time, then drain.

Put the tomatoes into a saucepan with the pesto. Add the pasta and broccoli and stir over the heat.

Add the cheese and mix well before pouring into your child's food flask.

By NATASHA HARDING

THE uniforms are ironed and pencil cases packed as kids head back to school.

But the return to class leaves parents with the age-old dilemma of what to put in children's lunchboxes. In the UK, the annual packed lunch bill can reach £1,000 per child, so they need to be cost effective, healthy and tasty.

Baby and children's cookery author Annabel Karmel, *below*, said of lunchtime snacks: "They should balance nutrition with fun, kid-friendly appeal to prevent food coming home uneaten.

"My approach focuses on ditching boring, soggy sandwiches for creative, energy-boosting alternatives that fuel concentration."

Here are five of her ideas for an irresistible lunchbox revamp . . .

● To try Annabel's award-winning recipe app free for seven days, see annabelkarmel.com.

Must chew better on kids' lunches

TUCK IN . . . kids will love these treats

Mini pizza quiches

Makes 6

YOU NEED:
3 tortilla wraps
4 cherry tomatoes, sliced
2 spring onions, finely sliced
50g chorizo slices, roughly chopped (optional)
50g Cheddar, grated
4 large eggs, beaten
Toppings (optional)
1 courgette, thinly sliced into ribbons
A handful of fresh basil leaves

METHOD: Preheat the oven to 180C fan and grease a six-hole muffin tin with oil.

Cut two 12cm diameter circles from each tortilla wrap and use to line the tins.

Divide the tomatoes, spring onions, chorizo (if using) and cheese between the wraps, then top with the beaten egg.

Lightly season with salt and pepper, then bake for 20-22 minutes, until the mixture is set in the centre.

Remove from the oven and top with slices of tomato, courgette and fresh basil (optional).

Carrot & cheese crackers

Makes 20 crackers

YOU NEED:
100g carrots, peeled and grated
75g Cheddar, grated
75g butter, softened
125g plain flour

METHOD: Preheat the oven to 180C fan and line a baking sheet with non-stick baking paper.

Put the carrot, cheese, butter and flour into a small food processor and whiz until the mixture comes together.

Take the mixture out of the food processor and knead it into a soft dough.

Roll out the mixture on a floured work surface and stamp out flower shapes using a small flower-shaped cutter.

Place on a lined baking sheet and bake in the oven for 18-20 minutes until lightly golden. Leave to cool on a wire rack.

Delicious served with hummus, slices of meat or veggies.

Hearing . . . Quentin

Death fall of Asos tycoon a 'mystery'

By ROBIN PERRIE

FAMILY of Asos tycoon Quentin Griffiths may never find out what happened before his mysterious death in Thailand, a court heard yesterday.

The multi-millionaire, who co-founded the online retailer, fell from the 17th-floor balcony of his apartment in Pattaya in February.

Coroner Rachael Griffin told a pre-inquest hearing in Bournemouth that she "may never know" if "it was a deliberate or an accidental fall".

Thai police have only sent brief reports and she told his brother Adrian at the hearing "further evidence" is unlikely.

She said: "I understand the upset and distress . . . that there's still going to be a lot unanswered."

Quentin moved to Thailand in 2005 after stepping down from Asos.

Just after his death, £2.6million in cryptocurrency was stolen. Hearing resumes in March.

Loved . . . landmark

'Bones of a whale' arch is removed

By PAUL SIMS

A LANDMARK whalebone arch on the cliffs above a historic fishing port has been removed ahead of its replacement with an "ethical" replica.

The 12ft arch was taken out yesterday after years of exposure to harsh North Sea weather left it rapidly deteriorating.

An attempt to source other whale bones failed.

So they will be replaced by a £70,000 bronze replica early next year.

A whalebone arch has stood on Whitby's West Cliff in North Yorkshire since 1853 and has become one of the town's most recognisable sights.

Mayor Sandra Turner said: "The arch means a great deal to residents and visitors alike.

"While it is sad to see the current bones reach the end of their life, the new bronze arch will ensure this landmark continues to celebrate Whitby's history for future generations."

VACUUM SNOOP

Hubby catches wife cheating with robo camera

By GERGANA KRASTEVA

A SUSPICIOUS husband has been jailed after using a robot vacuum cleaner to spy on his cheating wife.

He used the appliance to record intimate footage which he then revealed in divorce proceedings.

The video showed his wife naked with another man in their holiday home. The husband was awarded £11,000 damages in a civil court after he sued his wife and her lover.

Filth buster . . . robovac with camera

But she then dragged her ex-husband to criminal court over "invading her privacy" as she had not consented to be filmed naked. A Taiwanese court was told the husband first became suspicious in 2022, two years after the couple got married, after finding a toothbrush in their home that did not belong to him.

He checked CCTV from their parking garage which showed her with another man, and became convinced she was having an affair.

He later activated their remote vacuum cleaner, which has an inbuilt camera supposed to be used "to check on pets or drive the device manually".

But he spotted her in an intimate encounter with another man – and recorded it. He had argued he did it to gather evidence, but Taoyuan district court said that did not give him a right to spy on his partner.

It ruled there was still an expectation of privacy and his then-wife had not consented to be filmed naked.

He was sentenced to five months in prison and will also have to pay her almost £3,500.

In Taiwan, secretly photographing or recording another person's "private activities, intimate spaces, or bodily privacy" without consent is a crime.

Rapper's drug fine

RAPPER and influencer Yung Filly has pleaded guilty to cannabis possession, as he returns to the UK ahead of a rape retrial in Australia.

The 31-year-old – real name Andres Felipe Valencia Barrientos – was charged with possessing the drug in May while on bail for sex offences.

Mandurah magistrates' court, south of Perth in Western Australia, fined him £397 and ordered him to pay costs of £163. Retrial is due next year.

SHAME ON BREW

One in ten homeowners admit to never offering workmen a cup of tea, a poll by online van retailer Vanaways found.

Picture: GETTY

MAURA TO LOVE

By ELLIE HENMAN

IT'S love all for new Blind Date host Maura Higgins at the US Open tennis.

The former Love Island contestant, 35, is back in the States ahead of her debut on America's Strictly, Dancing With The Stars.

She gained popularity there after reaching the final of their Celebrity Traitors this year. Maura was recently announced as host on a 2027 Disney+ Blind Date reboot.

Tragedy . . . Isobel

Death in pond an accident

By ROBIN PERRIE

THE death of a girl aged two who drowned in a garden pond on Christmas Day was an accident, an inquest has ruled.

Isobel Maxwell had wandered away from her family after opening gifts.

Isobel's dad Aaron Maxwell found her lying in the pond, which was partially fenced off and due to be filled in.

Mum Tamara Wallace, pregnant with her second child at the time, started CPR until medics arrived.

Isobel was later declared dead at hospital.

Coroner Louise Slater said the family dogs were earlier let into the garden in Doncaster and "it would appear a door was mistakenly left open".

Ms Wallace told the hearing: "No one saw Isobel leave. I can't believe this has happened."

Ms Slater described Isobel' death as the "most tragic of circumstances".

Verdict: Accident.

Eyesore yacht rap

EX Spurs owner Joe Lewis has been accused of blocking the sea view for holidaymakers after docking his £200million superyacht in front of two family resorts.

The billionaire left his 100metre "floating home" next to Bovisand Lodge Holiday Park and Cedar Park, near Plymouth.

Sandra Hunter, 52, from Bridgwater, Somerset, said: "Why does he park up where people go on the bank holiday?

"Our trip was hampered by a billionaire. It was disappointing as it really blocked the views."

MICHAEL JACKETSON

One of Michael Jackson's black and 24ct-gold braided military jackets could fetch up to £360,000 at an auction next month.

Jailed . . . Kennedy

Payback for £36k drug pair is just £1

By MIKE SULLIVAN

TWO women caught with top designer labels after spending more than £36,000 as part of a drugs gang must pay back just £1.

Samantha Kennedy, 41, and Christine Doyle, 42, along with dealer Jacob Kennedy and his runner Robson Mallam, both 20, were arrested when police swooped in 2023.

Officers seized Louis Vuitton, Gucci and Dior trainers in the raid in Barry, South Wales. They said the women had "facilitated money transfers for the operation".

Samantha Kennedy was jailed last December for four years and ten months for conspiracy to supply drugs. Doyle was jailed for two years and ten months for the crime.

A proceeds of crime hearing at Newport crown court has now heard neither woman has any available assets.

Judge Carl Harrison ordered them to pay a nominal £1 each.

Rare . . . the ornament

£10k for Chinese car boot bargain

By LARA BOWMAN

A CARVED dog bought for £1 at a car boot sale could fetch up to £10,000.

The rare Chinese jade ornament is estimated to be from the early years of the Ming dynasty, around 1380 to 1420.

It measures 8.5cm long and is carved from black and green gemstone, with jade said to bring good luck in Chinese society.

The dog was bought just two months ago and goes on sale tomorrow at Hansons Auctioneers in Etwall, Derbyshire. It has a "magical history", according to auctioneer Charles Hanson.

He said: "We always think we need to be at a car boot sale really early – six in the morning 'wakey, wakey'.

"But one of our clients went to a car boot sale very late, getting towards midday, and left on a stall, in a box, was this fairly unassuming chap behind me."

BIGGEST MURDER MYSTERY IN

By NICK HARDING

IT took almost 30 years to bring Tupac Shakur's killer to court – but a jury less than three hours to convict him.

In the decades between, the rap superstar's murder became one of showbiz's greatest crime mysteries, spawning claims of police cover-ups, government assassination and countless conspiracy theories.

But on Monday, notorious gang member and drug trafficker Duane "Keffe D" Davis was convicted of orchestrating the killing of the then 25-year-old rapper, gunned down in Las Vegas on September 7, 1996.

The court heard Tupac was shot in revenge for an attack on Davis's nephew, Orlando "Baby Lane" Anderson, a member of LA's notorious South Side Compton Crips gang.

Prosecutors argued the humiliating beating in the foyer of the MGM Grand hotel and casino, dished out by Tupac and Death Row Records boss Suge Knight, triggered a deadly reprisal led by Davis.

After leaving the venue, Tupac was in the passenger seat of a black BMW driven by Knight. A white Cadillac pulled alongside at a red light and a gunman opened fire. Tupac was hit four times and Knight was also wounded. The 25-year-old rapper died in hospital six days later.

The breakthrough in the case wasn't a result of forensic science or dazzling new detective work. Davis confessed years ago and then blabbed about it repeatedly.

Gang war folklore

In gangs, snitching is treason, punishable by death. Davis broke the golden rule – he snitched on himself.

Former LAPD detective Greg Kading was the investigator who persuaded Davis to talk in 2008 and recordings of his interviews formed a central part of the prosecution case.

Kading said: "I was surprised he was stupid enough to go out there and make the comments. I was a bit frustrated wondering why [Las Vegas police] weren't responding to it but in time they did and then it all began to make sense.

"They were giving him more and more rope to hang himself."

Kading's unit had been tasked with investigating the March 1997 murder of another rapper, Christopher Wallace, aka Biggie Smalls or The Notorious B.I.G. The Tupac and Biggie killings became entwined in East Coast-West Coast rap gang war folklore and Davis was a person of interest in the Biggie case.

Kading said: "We started to interview him, and he indicated that he had not been involved in that Biggie case but had been involved in the Tupac Shakur one."

Facing a potential 25-year minimum sentence for narcotics dealing, Davis agreed to co-operate and entered what is known as a "proffer" agreement. The deal allowed him to talk truthfully about his own criminal activity without those admissions being used to prosecute him. It was not immunity, however, and did not protect him if police obtained evidence against him elsewhere.

With his lawyer present, Davis told investigators in a taped interview that he had been in the Cadillac when Tupac was murdered. He identified the other men in the car and described how the killing unfolded.

In explosive transcripts of the tapes seen by The Sun and used in court, Davis told investigators that, after Anderson was beaten, his group armed themselves and went looking for Tupac and Knight.

The shooting at the traffic lights wasn't their first opportunity to attack Tupac that night. They first went to Club 662, where they heard Tupac was heading.

Davis said on tape: "So, we went up there, and my little homies went and got the choppers (guns).

"They (were) lucky they didn't show up, you know what I'm saying, because we had some headhunters with us . . . three choppers, it would have been a massacre."

The group waited for around an hour, but Tupac didn't arrive, so they abandoned the plan and went to get high and buy champagne.

But, on Flamingo Road, they unexpectedly spotted him.

"We like, 'Oh there go that mother**ker', and we popped a U-y (did a U-turn) and that was it."

Davis didn't pull the trigger of the gun, but admitted that if things had been different, he would have.

"If they were rolling on my side I would have popped 'em," he boasted.

Davis had earlier mocked Tupac for being so visible, saying: "He was like he was in a parade or something, stupid ass, hanging out the window."

Then he described the scene as bullets started to fly.

"I seen a bullet go in Suge's head, I thought he was dead," he told investigators, before describing Anderson leaning across the back seat of the Cadillac with .40-calber Glock.

"He leaned over, rolled down the window and popped him."

The gang fled to the rear of the nearby Carriage House hotel, where Davis recalled seeing an ambulance arrive amid the chaos.

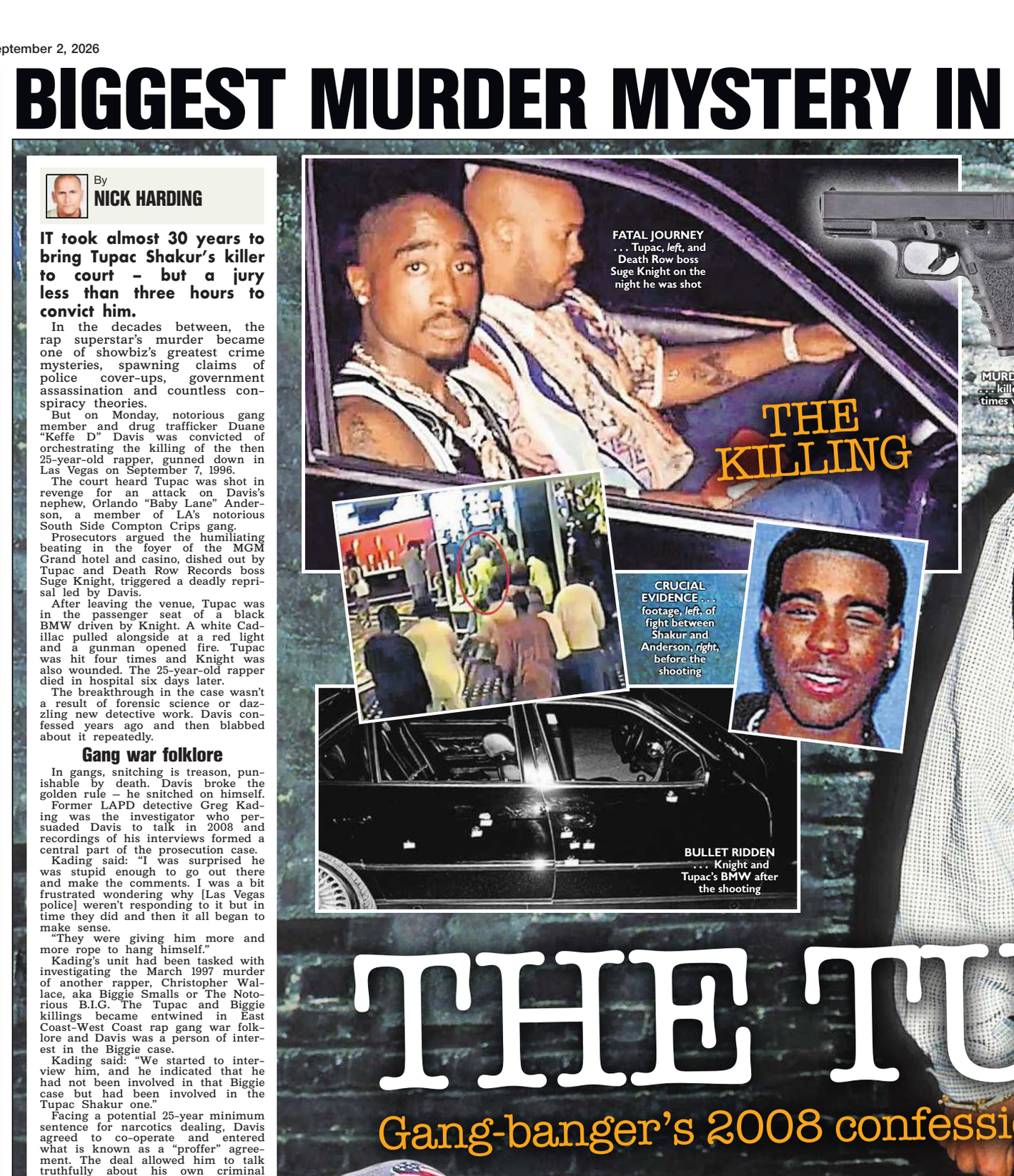
Rabbit hole

Far from expressing remorse, he laughed as he told investigators: "That s**t was funny as a motherf****r."

Davis is the only surviving occupant of the Cadillac. Anderson was killed in 1998, driver Terrence "Bubble Up" Brown was shot dead in 2015, and Deandrae "Big Dre" Smith died in 2004.

Davis's confession also sent Kading down another rabbit hole.

He claimed the gun used in Tupac's murder was provided by Eric "Zip" Martin, a New York underworld figure



FATAL JOURNEY . . . Tupac, *left*, and Death Row boss Suge Knight on the night he was shot

THE KILLING

CRUCIAL EVIDENCE . . . footage, *left*, of fight between Shakur and Anderson, *right*, before the shooting

BULLET RIDDEN . . . Knight and Tupac's BMW after the shooting

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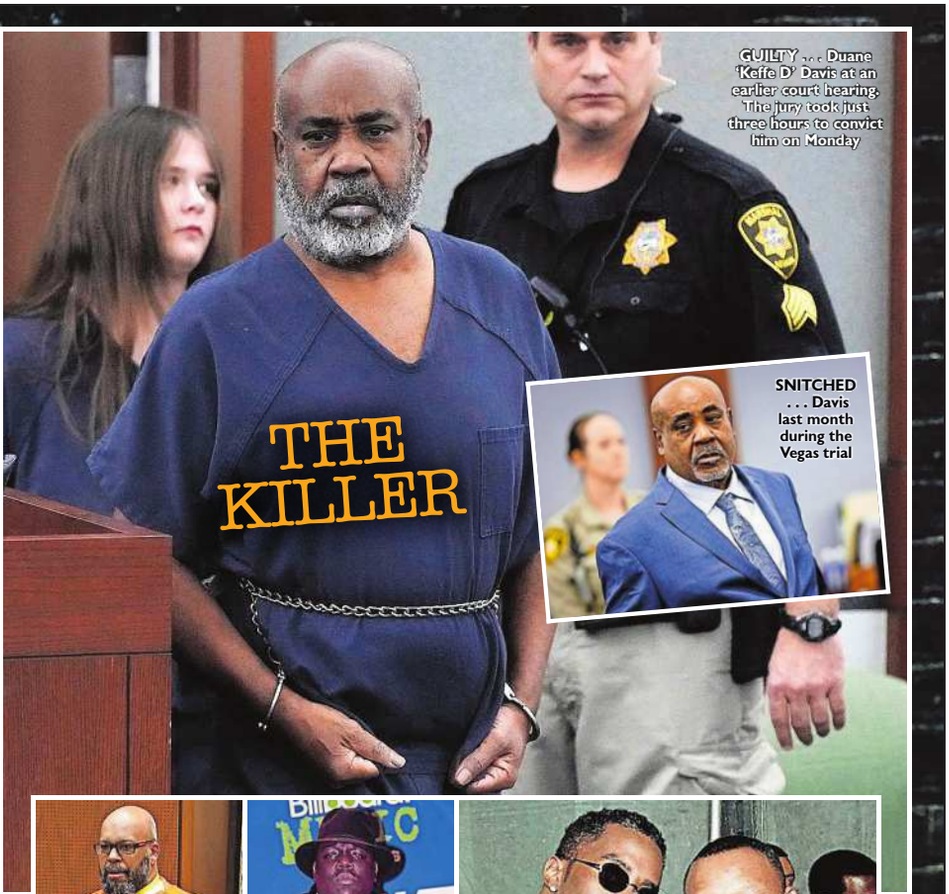

GUILTY . . . Duane 'Keffe D' Davis at an earlier court hearing. The jury took just three hours to convict him on Monday

THE KILLER

SNITCHED
. . . Davis last month during the Vegas trial

RAP SHEET . . . *from left*, Suge Knight in an LA court in 2016, Biggie Smalls, and Diddy with drug dealer Eric Von Zip

UPAC TAPES

on to police convicts him of rap superstar's killing

drug dealer with links to Sean ffy" Combs. Davis described Zip one of Puffy's boys".

fter Tupac's murder, Davis med Combs telephoned Zip and d: "Was that us?" and that Zip ied: "Yeah, that was us."

sked about Combs' reaction, Davis ged: "He was happy as hell."

bs has denied involvement.

ading's team even sent Davis to York in an attempt to secretly rd Zip discussing the gun, Combs any alleged payment.

hat was the strategy, but it didn't e to fruition. Zip had cancer and ink he smelled a rat," Kading . Much of what Davis was telling ing in 2008 had been suspected in weeks of the murder.

series of missed opportunities wed crucial evidence to disappear nd suspects and witnesses to slip ugh detectives' fingers.

olice had CCTV of the Anderson ing but Las Vegas cops initially thought it was unconnected. A witness travelling in the entourage behind Tupac told police that he might be able to identify one or more attackers, but detectives failed to properly follow up before he left Vegas. He was murdered in New Jersey several weeks later.

In October 1996, Anderson was arrested in an anti-gang operation but Vegas detectives questioned him for just 20 minutes. Other gang members were not questioned about Tupac despite LA investigators urging them to pursue the gang connection.

Anderson was released, never interviewed again by Las Vegas police and shot dead in 1998.

Years later, Las Vegas homicide commander Sgt Kevin Manning conceded police "may have misjudged the significance" of the MGM fight and that information used to discount Anderson as a suspect had "proved incorrect".

As the trail went cold, the vacuum was filled by increasingly elaborate conspiracy theories about the murder.

One enduring theory held that Knight wanted Tupac dead because the rapper was attempting to disentangle himself from Death Row Records. LAPD detective Russell Poole went further, theorising that Knight engineered Tupac's killing and then had Biggie murdered to make the deaths appear to be East Coast-West Coast retaliation.

Extortion racket

Tupac's mother Afeni had been a member of the radical Black Panther movement, fuelling theories that her son was considered a political threat and assassinated by the government.

FBI files seen by The Sun also reveal an October 1996 investigation into allegations linking people associated with the militant Jewish Defence League to an extortion racket said to have targeted music figures including Tupac and rapper Eazy-E. Kading explained: "There was JDL and theories that the government and CIA were out to kill Tupac because he was going to be a revolutionary and lead a black power movement because of who his mum was."

But he discounts the speculation.

"People make the mistake that just because some information is contained in a police file that means there is legitimacy to that information," he added. "Ninety per cent of what's in law enforcement files is all erroneous, baseless information."

Kading believes there was a much simpler reason the investigation stalled – the refusal to talk by those who knew what happened.

"More than anyone I blame Suge Knight for the delay, because he refused to co-operate in any meaningful way," he said.

"Back when this happened it could have been resolved relatively quickly, if Suge Knight had just been honest and forthright about what he knew."

Knight, now 61 and serving 28 years for the 2015 killing of businessman Terry Carter, once responded to criticism of his silence: "I don't get paid to solve homicides."

When nothing happened after his 2008 confession, Kading believes Davis developed a false sense of security. He began publicly boasting about his involvement, eventually detailing it in interviews and his 2019 memoir Compton Street Legend.

Prosecutors did not need to prove which man in the Cadillac pulled the trigger. Under Nevada law Davis could be convicted for aiding and abetting the murder, and they argued he had orchestrated the revenge mission and supplied the gun.

For almost three decades the world has asked: "Who killed Tupac?" In the end the answer had been hiding in plain sight.

Davis had supplied much of it himself.

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BBC ONE

6am Breakfast News, entertainment and weather reports. (S)
9.30 Morning Live With Gethin Jones and Gaby Roslin. (S)
10.45 Rip Off Britain Investigating a roadside rescue that ended up as a robbery. (S)
11.30 Homes Under The Hammer Properties in Cambridgeshire, Cumbria and London. (R,S)
12.15 Bargain Hunt Christina Trevanion celebrates timepieces and timekeeping. (R,S)
1.00 BBC News (S)
2.00 Money For Nothing Salvage expert Guy has a loo-roll-inspired idea for wooden golf clubs. (S)
2.45 Escape To The Country Alistair Appleton is on a property-hunting mission in the Cotswolds. (R,S)
3.45 Garden Rescue Flo Headlam and Diarmuid Gavin help a mum and daughter in Powys. (S)
4.30 The Answer Run Quiz hosted by Jason Manford. (R,S)
5.15 Pointless Quiz hosted by Alexander Armstrong and Susan Wokoma. (S)
6.00 BBC News (S)
6.30 Regional News (S)

8pm John Cambridge's hat is restored in The Repair Shop: Beyond The Barn

7.00 The One Show Alex Jones and JB Gill present the magazine show with celebrity guests and stories of interest from around the UK. (S)
7.30 EastEnders Nicola has a change of heart and offers an olive branch, Ravi's suspicions make him determined to find the truth, and a power cut threatens Linda's event. (S)
8.00 The Repair Shop: Beyond The Barn NEW (1/8) The experts revisit people who have been reunited with cherished mementos. Including the story of a well-worn cowboy hat with links to a famous rock star. (S)
9.00 Celebrity MasterChef (8/15) Sue Cleaver, Melvin Odoom, Una Healy, Lauren Steadman and Max Fosh serve up a dish using a mystery ingredient and cook the ultimate takeaway for YouTube star Angry Ginge. (S)
10.00 BBC News (S)
10.30 Regional News (S)
10.40 Reading Festival Highlights 2026 A taste of last weekend's festival, which saw chart stars including Charli XCX, Florence and the Machine, Fontaines DC and Raye gather in Reading. (S)
11.40 The Hit List (6/9) With teams from Northern Ireland, Liverpool, London and Birmingham. (R,S) Followed by **Weather For The Week Ahead**
12.30-6am BBC News (S)

BBC TWO

6.30 am Bargain Hunt (R,S)
7.15 Money For Nothing (R,S)
8.00 Sign Zone: Great Continental Railway Journeys (R,S,SL)
9.00 BBC News (S)
11.15 Politics Live (S)
1.00 Richard Osman's House Of Games (R,S)
1.30 The Edge Game show, hosted by Gabby Logan. (R,S)
2.15 Weatherman Walking (R,S)
2.45 Animal Park The keepers discover that armadillo Polly is bleeding. (R,S)
3.30 Dogs In The Wild: Meet The Family Documentary following packs of wild dogs across the world. (R,S)
4.30 Vintage Antiques Roadshow The team visits Clitheroe in Lancashire. First shown in 2003. (R,S)
5.15 Flog It! From Co Durham. (R,S)
6.00 Richard Osman's House Of Games With Ken Bruce, Alice Roberts, Perri Shakes-Drayton and Kiell Smith-Bynoe. (R,S)
6.30 Great British Railway Journeys Michael Portillo's railway tour of the Weald reaches the Surrey countryside. (R,S)

11.30pm Nessa and Drea work to break a familiar cycle in Couples Therapy

7.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip (7/20) DJ duo Nihal Arthanayake and Dev Griffin travel around the southeast, searching for profitable antiques. They're joined by experts Catherine Southon and James Braxton. (R,S)
8.00 Inside The Factory (3/6) Paddy McGuinness travels to Lincoln to explore the surprising process of turning potato starch into 500 million packs of Quavers cheese curls every year. (R,S)
9.00 Stolen Babies Between 1949 and 1976, more than 250,000 unmarried mothers across the UK had their babies forcibly taken for adoption by the state. This documentary focuses on the stories of five women, revealing the state-built and -funded structures that enabled this practice to take place across the country, shining a light on one of the most significant human rights injustices of the second half of the 20th century. (S)
10.30 Newsnight Analysis of the day's events with Victoria Derbyshire. (S) Followed by **Weather**
11.05 Couples Therapy (6 & 7/9) Double bill. Chris reflects on his experiences of grief and abandonment. Then, Nessa and Drea work to break a familiar cycle. (S)
12.05 A House Through Time (R,S) **1.05** Sign Zone: Celebrity MasterChef (R,S,SL) **2.05-3.05am** The Mother Of All Cons (R,S,SL)

ITV1

6am Good Morning Britain News, current affairs and lifestyle features. (S)
10.00 This Morning A mix of celebrity interviews, entertainment news, current affairs discussions, a look at sports competitions, health columns, cooking tips and tricks, and more. Including Local Weather. (S)
1.30 ITV News (S)
1.55 Regional News (S)
2.00 Dickinson's Real Deal In Sheffield, David Dickinson discovers a famous name artist in the den, and Tracy Thackray-Howitt smells a profit in an old perfume bottle. (R,S)
3.00 Deal Or No Deal Sophena takes her place in the hot seat. (R,S) Followed by **Local Weather**
4.00 Tipping Point Ben Shephard hosts the arcade-themed quiz in which contestants drop tokens down a choice of four chutes in the hope of winning a £10,000 jackpot. (R,S)
5.00 The Chase Quiz show hosted by Bradley Walsh. (R,S)
6.00 Regional News (S)
6.30 ITV News (S)

9pm Jasper investigates when a school inspector is murdered in Professor T

7.30 Millionaire Hot Seat Jeremy Clarkson hosts the quiz where each episode sees six hopefuls compete for £1 million. However, only one player can take their place in the Hot Seat at a time. (S)
8.00 Emmerdale An arrival shocks the villagers, while something is weighing heavily on Gabby's mind. (S)
8.30 Coronation Street Idris confronts Ronnie for stealing his car. (S)
9.00 Professor T (3/6) A school inspector is murdered in his home firstly by stabbing then smothering and a number of items are stolen, which links the case to a spate of local burglaries. (S)
10.00 ITV News At Ten (S)
10.30 Regional News (S)
10.45 WhatsApp Obsession: The Murder Of Stephanie Hansen Documentary about a woman stabbed to death by her housemate, whose obsession prompted him to plant secret cameras in their home and bombard her with coercive WhatsApp messages. (R,S)
11.40 British Touring Car Championship Highlights Nicki Shields presents action from the 19th, 20th and 21st races of the season, which came from Donington Park. (R,S)
12.55 Shop On TV 3.00 Force Of Nature (R,S,SL) **3.55** Bradley & Barney Walsh: Breaking Dad (R,S,SL) **4.15** Unwind With ITV (S) **5.35-6am** Pictionary (R,S,SL)

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6.30 am The King Of Queens (R,S)
7.45 Everybody Loves Raymond Triple bill. (R,S)
9.10 Frasier (R,S)
11.10 Ramsay's 24 Hours To Hell And Back (R,S)
12.05 C4 News (S)
12.10 Find It, Fix It, Flog It In north Wales, Simon O'Brien and Henry Cole meet Anne and her grandson Tom. Simon unearths an art deco fire guard. (R,S)
1.10 The Great House Giveaway A delivery driver and company owner transform a family home in Middlesbrough. (R,S)
2.10 Countdown With Zoe Lyons in Dictionary Corner. (S)
3.00 A Place In The Sun A couple seek their dream holiday home in Nerja, southern Spain. (R,S)
4.00 The Great B&B Challenge A paddle-boarding trip and a trip to a goat farm. (R,S)
5.00 Château DIY Janet and Philip are pushed to the breaking point. (R,S)
6.00 A New Life In The Sun: Where Are They Now? Wet weather threatens to derail Caroline and Paul's new business venture. (S)

8pm Solving property problems in Kirstie And Phil's Love It Or List It: Brilliant Builds

7.00 C4 News (S)
8.00 Kirstie And Phil's Love It Or List It: Brilliant Builds Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer look back at a couple divided over their dated Milton Keynes home and an overlooked garden in Hamilton that provided little privacy for the owners. (S)
9.00 The Jury: 14 And On Trial For Murder (2/4) Fourteen-year-old defendant Daniel describes growing up in an abusive household. But his evidence is contradicted by other witnesses, painting a disturbing picture. Continues next Tuesday. (S)
10.00 9/11: Days That Shocked The World NEW Double bill. (1 & 2/2) Twenty five years on from 9/11, rescue workers, survivors and witnesses describe how a regular morning turned into an unimaginable nightmare. Then, witnesses recall the collapse of the Twin Towers. (S)
12.00 Emergency Helicopter Medics Charlie has life-threatening injuries after falling off his dirt bike. (R,S) **1.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. Gordon Ramsay visits a restaurant in Providence, Rhode Island. (R,S,SL) **1.50** FILM Minari. Romantic drama starring Steven Yeun. (2020) ✪✪✪✪✪ (SL) **3.50** Sunday Brunch (R,S) **4.05** Jamie: Eat Yourself Healthy (R,S,SL) **5.00** Couples Come Dine With Me (R,S,SL) **5.50-6.30am** Countdown (R,S)

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6am Milkshake!
9.05 Entertainment News On 5 Showbiz news and gossip. (S)
9.15 Jeremy Vine (S)
11.30 Storm & Alexis With Storm Huntley and Alexis Conran. (S)
12.30 Snooker: British Open 2026 LIVE Coverage of the afternoon session on day three, held at The Centaur in Cheltenham, featuring second-round matches. Zhao Xintong, then the reigning world champion, beat Stuart Bingham 4-1 at this stage last year, and Zhang Anda prevailed 4-3 against Bai Yulu, with Bai narrowly missing out on becoming the first woman to defeat a top-16 man. Presented by Katie Shanahan, with analysis from Stephen Hendry, Ken Doherty, and Joe Perry. (S)
5.30 5 News With Dan Walker (S)
6.25 Car Pound Cops Surrey Police officers Sean Begley and John Bryan are using automatic number plate recognition on patrol, and pull over a Romanian driver whose vehicle may be falsely registered. (R,S) Followed by **5 News Update**

8pm Mark Willsher pursues payments in Call The Bailiffs: Time To Pay Up

7.00 Cycling: Vuelta A España 2026 Highlights of stage 11 of the Grand Tour race, a flat 151.3km route from Cartagena to Lorca. (S) Followed by **5 News Update**
8.00 Call The Bailiffs: Time To Pay Up Agents Mark and Sam pursue a company ordered by an employment tribunal to repay money unlawfully deducted from a former employee's wages. (S)
9.00 The Game (2/4) Patrick intensifies his psychological assault on Huw and Margot when Jackie breaks into Margot's flat, scratches out pictures of Sam, and steals Margot's diary. Continues next week. (S)
10.00 A&E: Crash Scene Emergency Twenty-year-old Jess is critically injured and her older sister Jaimie-Leigh suffers a broken neck when their car collides with another vehicle and flips. (R,S)
11.00 Ambulance: Code Red A 60-year-old who's been involved in a high-speed crash. (R,S)
12.00 A&E After Dark (R,S) **12.55** Car Pound Cops (R,S) **1.25** Entertainment News On 5 (S) **1.30** Teleshopping (R,S) **2.30** GPs: Behind Closed Doors (R,S) **3.20** The Highland Vet (R,S,SL) **4.15** Yorkshire With Jane McDonald (R,S,SL) **5.00** Entertainment News On 5 (S) **5.15** Ben And Holly's Little Kingdom (R,S,SL) **5.35** Paw Patrol (R,S,SL) **5.50-6am** Mixmups (R,S,SL)

REGIONAL VARIATIONS S4C: **6am** Cyw **11.00** Camau Bach **11.00** Pentre Papur Pop **11.10** Yr Whws **11.20** Cymylaubychain **11.30** Sion Y Chef **11.45** Sigldigwt **12.00** Newyddion S4C A'r Tywydd **12.05** Codi Pac **12.30** Heno **1.00** Lowri Morgan: Her 333 **1.30** Garddio A Mwy **2.00** Newyddion S4C A'r Tywydd **2.05** Prynhawn Da **3.00** Newyddion S4C A'r Tywydd **3.05** Siwrna Scandi Chris **4.00** Awr Fawr: Odo **4.05** Blwi **4.15** Dreigiau Cadi **4.30** Joni Jet **4.45** Kim A Cêt A Twrch **5.00** Stwnsh: Li Ban **5.10** Y Doniolis **5.15** Anifail Perffaith **5.25** Gwrach Y Rhibyn **5.45** Newyddion Ni **6.00** Dan Do **6.30** Ralio+ **7.00** Heno **7.30** Newyddion S4C A'r Tywydd **8.00** Pobol Y Cwm **8.25** Cartrefi Cymru **8.55** Newyddion S4C A'r Tywydd **9.00** Priodas Pum Mil **10.00-11.34pm** Y Deis BBC ONE WALES: **9.00-10pm** Ryan Jones: Unbreakable BBC TWO WALES: **9pm** Celebrity MasterChef **10.00-10.30** Rewind: 60 Years Of Welsh Pop **11.05** Stolen Babies **12.35-1.05am** Coast

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THE GRAND MORE

SERIES TWO IS ALREADY PLANNED WITH NEW TRIO

THE new hosts of The Grand Tour are on track to become firm fixtures on the motoring show.

JAMES ENGELSMAN, **THOMAS HOLLAND** and **FRANCIS BOURGEOIS** will make their debut as a trio when their first series launches on Friday.

And I can reveal bosses are so confident they will be a hit with fans that they're already gearing up to make more episodes with them.

Plans are under way for their second series, with execs secretly talking about potential locations and stunts.

Exec producer Andy Wilman told me: "Work is ongoing for another series. There has been planning for more locations, although I don't know what they're looking for this time."

The new hosts have a tough job on their hands as they're replacing three TV legends – **JEREMY CLARKSON**, **JAMES MAY** and **RICHARD HAMMOND**.

For that reason, Andy thinks it's vital Francis, Thomas and James get plenty of time to win people over. He said: "A first series is always a scramble. This trio need a good run now at making their second series their own."

The newcomers are aware it's going to be tough to match the huge success of their predecessors.

Francis said: "The saying 'big shoes to fill' spring to mind. Well, in this case it'll be like **MO FARAH** running in size 14 wellies. It'll be awkward at first, perhaps blister-inducing, but will overall be an interesting watch."

Thomas added: "When I first heard they were rebooting The Grand Tour and replacing Clarkson, Hammond and May, I said, 'Only a moron would take that job . . . '"

Show execs have gone all out to give Francis, Thomas and James a good chance of success.

They have splashed the cash on their first series by sending them to locations including California, Singapore and Angola. There's also a cameo from F1 legend **JENSON BUTTON** in the opening episode to give the show a boost.

HANDOVER . . . Thomas, Richard, James and Francis

HANGING WITH HAMSTER

UNDER CONTROL . . . lads check out a motor together

THE new trio completed their meet-ups with the show's former hosts by dropping in on Richard Hammond.

James, Thomas and Francis will be seen in the new series paying a visit to Hamster as he "hands on the hosting baton."

It came after similar well-wishing sessions with Jeremy Clarkson and James May, which will also feature in the show.

And just to prove he still had some motoring magic, Richard couldn't resist getting under a car with the new boys.

Just as well Jezza and May weren't there to mock him.

TOP GEAR RETURN WILL FUEL RIVALRY

PETROLHEADS will have the pick of hit motoring shows after the BBC confirmed Top Gear is also returning.

And The Grand Tour hosts Francis, Thomas and James can't wait to embrace the TV rivalry.

Ahead of their debut series on Prime Video, the trio insisted that car fanatics would benefit from both shows getting air time.

But they were confident they would have the edge over whoever steps up to host the revamped Top Gear.

Thomas said: "The more car content the better. Without these big TV shows, what other car shows are out there with big budgets? It's great to have more out there." James added: "It is tough now. There's so many great creators across TikTok, Instagram and YouTube, you can't rest on your laurels."

And Francis revealed: "As a formula for success, having car enthusiasm as a central pillar to everything we're doing is something we wanted to maintain."

The BBC confirmed my story that Top Gear would be coming back after a four-year absence at the Edinburgh TV Festival last week.

The show has been off screen since host **FREDDIE FLINTOFF**'s near-fatal car accident in 2022.

CONFIDENT . . . Thomas

FRANCIS' TICKING OFF FOR HOGGER

FRANCIS has revealed what gives him road rage – "motorway inefficiency".

He is talking specifically about "middle lane hoggers," which are a big bugbear for him.

And the social media star has a plan to put an end to his frustrations with vehicles that refuse to move out of the way on motorways – but it relies on the drivers being educated in Morse Code.

Francis, who went viral during the pandemic for his trainspotting videos, explains: "We need to abide by proper lane discipline on the motorway.There needs to be a campaign that goes on billboards and TV that says hogging the middle lane means everyone is going to be five minutes late for work. I've been trying to work out how we can mitigate these middle-lane hoggers.

"What I've been doing recently is an indicator morse code of 'move over' to the cars I come back around, where half a tick of an indicator is a dot and a full tick is a dash. "'Move' goes 'full tick, full tick, full tick, full tick, full tick, half-tick, half-tick, full tick, half-tick'."

"Then 'over' is 'full tick, full tick, full tick, half-tick, half-tick, half-tick, full tick, half-tick, half-tick, full tick and then half-tick'."

I can't see that one taking off, Francis.

ROAD RAGE . . . Francis

PATSY TO HELI AND BACK

EMMERDALE'S legendary villain Sadie King returns to the village in style today – in a helicopter.

PATSY KENSIT's character wastes no time causing chaos, immediately ruffling feathers by placing a single red rose at the site of her ex-husband Jimmy's fatal crash.

A source said: "Sadie says her token for Jimmy is to simply pay her respects, but Jimmy's wife Nicola remains deeply sceptical.

"Viewers will be left to wonder if time has softened the village's most ruthless social climber or whether this is a fresh wave of manipulation and drama."

Sadie first arrived in the Dales in 2004 and became synonymous with ruthless ambition and conflict. She also had flings with Robert Sugden and Cain Dingle.

Watch Sadie's return from 7am on ITVX and YouTube or on ITV1 tonight at 8pm.

THE Countryfile Ramble for BBC Children In Need is back. **MATT BAKER**, **ANITA RANI**, **MARGHERITA TAYLOR**, **JOE CROWLEY** and **JOHN CRAVEN** meet young people on walks whose lives have been changed by the fundraiser. Their stories air on BBC One on October 25.

RAY & CO IN GREAT DANGER

RAY WINSTONE will be joined by several other big British stars in Prime Video's action-comedy, Danger Money.

Doctor Who's ALEX KINGSTON and Game Of Thrones star IAIN GLEN lead the pack, alongside KARA TOINTON, ARIAN NIK, MIMI KEENE and SEAN PERTWEE. Red Eye's OLIVER MALTMAN is co-creator, co-writer and will also star in the show, with filming now under way in Malta.

ROLE . . . Alex

Winstone plays Alan 'Razor' Sharp, a former SAS operative who is pulled back into the world he had left behind. Alex, who plays tag-along Roxy, said her character will "keep you guessing".

She added: "The scripts balance action, humour and heart, and getting to play opposite such an exceptional cast is really exciting."

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7pm The Catch Up **7.05** Deadly 60 **8.00** Top Gear **10.00** Guy Montgomery's Guy Mont-Spelling Bee Australia. Double bill. **11.35** RuPaul's Drag Race UK: Meet The Queens **12.00-2.05am** The Young Offenders

BBC FOUR freeview 9

7pm Fred Dibnah's Building Of Britain **7.30** Villages By The Sea **8.00** Rome: A History Of The Eternal City **9.00** Rome's Invisible City. Alexander Armstrong explores the city's underground treasures. **10.00** I, Claudius **11.45** The Australian Wars **12.45** Rome's Invisible City **1.45-2.15am** Fred Dibnah's Building Of Britain

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6am Backyard Builds **6.30** Dinner Date **7.30** The Real Housewives Of Potomac **8.20** The Real Housewives Of Beverly Hills **9.15** The Only Way Is Essex **10.15** Dawson's Creek **11.15** Charmed **12.10** Deal Or No Deal **1.10** Supermarket Sweep **2.10** Wheel Of Fortune **3.10** The Only Way Is Essex **4.10** The Real Housewives Of Potomac **5.00** The Real Housewives Of Beverly Hills **6.00** Celebrity Catchphrase **7.00** Celebrity Wheel Of Fortune **8.00** The 1% Club **9.00** Romesh Ranganathan's Parents' Evening **10.00** Family Guy **11.35** American Dad! **12.35** Bob's Burgers **1.30-2.2am** G'wed

ITV3 freeview 10

6am George And Mildred **7.05** Classic Emmerdale **8.05** Classic Coronation Street **9.10** Poirot **11.30** Heartbeat **1.35** Midsomer Murders **3.35** Classic Emmerdale **4.40** Classic Coronation Street **5.50** Heartbeat **8.00** Midsomer Murders. A killer strikes at a disused abbey that is believed to be cursed. **10.00** Lewis. A parcel bomb claims the life of a genius mathematician. **11.50pm-2am** Poirot

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6am Magnum, PI **8.00** Robin Of Sherwood **9.05** Boon **10.15** World of Sport **10.20** Live Cycling: Tour Of Britain. Coverage of stage one. **4.00** The Best Of The 80s **4.15** River Monsters **4.45** The Professionals **5.55** Minder **7.00** Aussie Pickers **8.00** Cycling: Tour Of Britain Highlights **9.00 FILM** London Has Fallen. Action thriller starring Gerard Butler. (2016) **11.05** River Monsters **11.35** English Football League Highlights **1.00-3am** All Elite Wrestling: Collision

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6am Hollyoaks **6.55** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **7.00** Couples Come Dine With Me **8.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **10.00** America's Funniest Home Videos **12.00** The Simpsons **2.00** The Goldbergs **3.00** Modern Family **5.00** The Simpsons **7.00** Hollyoaks **7.30** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **8.00** Ladies Of London: The New Reign **9.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **10.00** Gogglebox **11.00** First Dates Valentine's **12.05** Naked Attraction **1.10-2.10am** Gogglebox

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8.55am Find It, Fix It, Flog It **10.00** Four In A Bed **12.40** Come Dine With Me **3.20** Four In A Bed **5.55** Car S.O.S **7.55** Grand Designs **9.00** The Roman Empire By Train With Alice Roberts **10.00** 24 Hours In A&E **12.10** 999: On The Front Line **1.15-2.20am** 24 Hours In A&E

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7am Border Security: America's Front Line **8.00** Border Patrol **9.00** Nothing To Declare **11.00** Border Security: America's Front Line **12.00** Caught On Dashcam **1.00** Police 24/7 **2.00** Nothing To Declare **4.00** Star Trek: Deep Space Nine **5.00** Stargate SG-1 **6.00** Star Trek: Voyager **7.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation **8.00** Hawaii Five-0 **9.00** FBI: Most Wanted **10.00** The Rookie **11.00** Grimm **12.00** Wynonna Earp **1.00-2am** Police 24/7

GUILTY AS CHARGED? . . . actors play brothers on trial in The Jury

THE JURY: 14 AND ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

Channel 4

ON the face of it this is like doing jury service.

But it's actually much more.

We witness a trial, albeit a reconstructed one with actors, and it's a pretty authentic experience.

But the difference with this show, the ace card up the sleeve, is that it isn't only about the lawyers and characters giving evidence.

It's really about the jury – made up of the only "real" people in the show.

We're given snapshots of their back stories, and it's fascinating to see how much their own lives affect the way they view the world.

Because many of them clearly didn't go into the process with an open mind.

They had made their minds up almost before they had heard the evidence.

That's often the case, sadly, when murder is mentioned.

People pull their moral shutters down and assume that, if someone's even suspected of having committed the worst crime, then there's a good chance they've done it.

The case in hand involved two brothers, one aged just 14, the other 23, who were accused of attacking their stepfather with knives in a crime so vicious they almost decapitated him.

In the beginning, the jury is split into three groups – those uncertain, those who believed they should be banged up, and those who thought there had to be a different explanation, other than them being cold-

BBC Four 9pm Alexander Armstrong explores the city's in Rome's Invisible City

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7.25am Top Gear **8.20** Border Force: America's Gatekeepers **10.20** Rick Stein's Road To Mexico **11.20** Yukon Gold **12.20** Top Gear **2.20** Mortimer & Whitehouse: Gone Fishing **3.00** Speed With Guy Martin **4.00** Hairy Bikers' Best Of British **5.00** Rick Stein's Road To Mexico **7.00** Mortimer & Whitehouse: Gone Fishing **7.40** Would I Lie To You? **9.00** QI XL **10.00** Have I Got A Bit More News For You **11.00** Taskmaster **12.00** Mock The Week **12.40-2am** Would I Lie To You?

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7.25am The Bill **8.20** Doctors **9.40** Classic Holby City **11.00** Casualty **12.00** The Bill **1.00** Classic EastEnders **2.20** Classic Neighbours **3.20** Sister Boniface Mysteries **4.20** Kingdom **5.20** As Time Goes By **6.00** Last Of The Summer Wine **8.00** The Chelsea Detective. An antiques dealer is found dead. **9.00** The Chelsea Detective. Max and Layla think they have their culprit.**10.00** New Tricks **11.00** Copper **12.00** Lovejoy **1.00-2am** Sister Boniface Mysteries

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6am Fantasy Homes By The Sea **7.00** Teleshopping **8.00** Escape To The Country **9.00** Salvage Hunters **12.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Salvage Hunters **5.00** Long Lost Family **6.00** The Repair Shop **7.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **8.00** Antiques Road Trip **9.00** Long Lost Family: Born Without Trace **10.00** Who Do You Think You Are? **11pm-2am** Celebrity Help! My House Is Haunted

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6.10am The Architecture The Railways Built **8.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **10.00** Rise Of The Nazis **11.00** The World At War **12.00** Antiques Roadshow **2.00** Bangers & Cash **4.00** Rise Of The Nazis **5.00** The World At War **6.00** Antiques Roadshow **7.00** Seven Worlds, One Planet **8.00** Michael Palin: Travels Of A Lifetime **9.00** Explore **10.00** Bangers & Cash **12.00** Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics **1.00-2am** Find It, Fix It, Flog It

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6.15am Property Brothers: Forever Homes **7.00** Tipping Point **10.00** DIY SOS: The Big Build **11.00** DIY SOS: Veteran Street **12.00** DIY SOS: The Big Build **1.00** Tipping Point **4.00** Property Brothers: Forever Homes **5.00** DIY SOS: The Big Build **6.00** DIY SOS: Veteran Street **7.00** MasterChef Australia **8.15** Nigella: At My Table **8.50** Whitstable Pearl **11.00** Serial Killer With Piers Morgan **12.00** Confessions Of A Serial Killer With Piers Morgan **1.00** My Family **1.40-3am** Sort Your Life Out With Stacey Solomon

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6am Salvage Hunters: The Restorers **7.00** Salvage Hunters **9.00** Aussie Gold Hunters **11.00** Outback Opal Hunters **1.00** The Repair Shop **2.00** Shed And Buried **3.00** Shed And Buried: Classic Cars **4.00** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **5.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **7.00** Antiques Road Trip **8.00** The Yorkshire Auction House **10.00** The Repair Shop **11.00** How Do They Do It? **1.00-2am** Salvage Hunters

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8am Rising Damp **8.30** Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em **9.05** You Rang, M'Lord? **10.10** Bread **10.50** Steptoe And Son **11.25** Oh, Doctor Beeching! **12.05** Rising Damp **12.35** Man About The House **1.05** Goodnight Sweetheart **1.40** When The Boat Comes In **2.45** Minder **3.45** Just Good Friends **4.20** Man About The House **4.55** Bread **5.30** Birds Of A Feather **6.00** That's 60s: Best Music Live! **6.10** Rising Damp **6.45** Steptoe And Son **7.20** Whatever Happened To The Likely Lads? **7.55** Minder **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** Shameless **11.00** Man About The House **11.35** Mind Your Language **12.05** Benidorm **1.05-2.05am** Minder

SPORT

Sky Sports Main Event 7.30pm Burnley take on Middlesbrough in the EFL

SKY SPORTS MAIN EVENT

6am Deadline Day **7.00** Sky Sports Breakfast **10.00** Sky Sports FC **12.00** Lunchtime **2.00** Sports Desk **3.30** LIVE US Open Tennis. Coverage of day four of the Grand Slam. **7.30** LIVE EFL. Burnley v Middlesbrough. Kick-off at 8.00. Coverage of the Championship match at Turf Moor. **10.30** LIVE US Open Tennis. Coverage of day four of the Grand Slam. **12.00** LIVE US Open Tennis. Day four of the Grand Slam. **2.30-5.30am** LIVE US Open Tennis

SKY SPORTS PREMIER LEAGUE

6am MNF Hlts **6.30** SNF **7.00** PL Highlights **9.00** PL Review **10.00** Sky Sports FC **12.00** FNF **12.30** SNF **1.00** PL Highlights **3.00** FNF **3.30** SNF **4.00** MNF Hlts **4.30** Netbusters **5.00** The Premier League Show **7.00** Gillette Labs Soccer Special **10.30** Premier League Stories **11.00** Netbusters **11.30** Transfer 360 **12.00** PL Review **1.00-3am** PL Retro

SKY SPORTS FOOTBALL

6am Retro League One **8.00** Best Moments From The Championship Play-Off Final (1993-2019) **8.30** Best Moments From The League 1 & 2 Play-Off Final (1993-2019) **9.00** SPFL Highlights **9.30** EFL Greatest Games **10.00** EFL Cup Retro **10.30** EFL **1.00** EFL Greatest Games **1.15** EFL Cup Highlights **1.45** EFL Highlights **2.30** Bundesliga Highlights Show **3.30** EFL Cup Highlights **4.00** EFL Highlights **4.30** SPFL Round-Up **4.45** SPFL Highlights **5.00** EFL Highlights **6.00** Bundesliga Highlights Show **7.00** LIVE SPFL. Falkirk v Rangers. Kick-off at 8.00. From Falkirk Stadium. **11pm-2am** EFL Highlights

SKY SPORTS NFL

8am NFL Super Bowl LI Highlights **10.00** NFL: America's Game **11.00** NFL Highlights **12.00** The Proving Ground **12.30** NFL Bitesize Highlights **1.00** Good Morning Football **3.00** The Proving Ground **3.30** NFL Bitesize Highlights **4.00** NFL: America's Game **5.00** NFL Highlights **6.00** NBC's Pro-Football Talk **8.00** Kansas City Chiefs: The Franchise **8.30** The Proving Ground **9.00** Super Bowl LIX Highlights **10.00** NFL Fantasy **11.00** NFL Bitesize Highlights **11.30** The Proving Ground **12.00** The Insiders **1.00-6am** NFL Highlights

SKY SPORTS +

6am Deadline Day **7.00** Sky Sports Breakfast **8.00** World Matchplay Darts **12.00** Lunchtime **2.00** Sports Desk **3.30** LIVE US Open Tennis. Coverage of day four of the Grand Slam at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center. **7.35** LIVE EFL. Millwall v Wrexham. Kick-off at 7.45. Coverage of the Championship match at The Den. **9.45** LIVE US Open Tennis. Coverage of day four of the Grand Slam. **12.00** LIVE US Open Tennis. Coverage of day four of the Grand Slam at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center. **2.30-5.30am** LIVE US Open Tennis. Coverage of day four of the Grand Slam at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows, New York.

SKY SPORTS CRICKET

7am Women's International One-Day Cricket **8.00** Women's ICC World T20 Cricket **8.30** Nepal Climbing Cricket's Mountain **9.00** Women's International One-Day Cricket **10.00** ODI Cricket **1.00** Test Cricket **6.00** Women's ICC World T20 Cricket **6.30** Nepal Climbing Cricket's Mountain **7.00** Women's International One-Day Cricket **8.00** One-Day International Cricket **11.00** Women's ICC World T20 Cricket **11.30** Nepal Climbing Cricket's Mountain **12.00** Women's International One-Day Cricket **1.00-1.30am** Women's ICC World T20 Cricket

SKY SPORTS GOLF

6am Ladies European Tour Golf **8.00** Women's Golf **3.00** Ladies European Tour Golf **6.00** PGA Tour Champions **7.00** Margins: Beyond The Walker Cup **7.30** HotelPlanner Tour Golf Highlights **8.00** Legends Tour Golf **9.00** Perfection In Paris **11.00** Ladies European Tour Golf **12.00** PGA Tour Golf **1.00-2am** Legends Tour Golf

ENTERTAINMENT

Sky One 9pm Sylvester Stallone and Dolph Lundgren in The Expendables 2

SKY ONE

6am Mornings **7.00** Mornings With Ridge And Frost **8.00** Stargate SG-1 **10.00** La Brea **11.00** The Simpsons **12.00** Africa's Hunters **1.00** Hawaii Five-0 **3.00** S.W.A.T **5.00** The Simpsons **6.00** Superstore **7.00** The Simpsons **8.00** Surviving Earth. A look at the Cretaceous-Paleogene mass extinction and its aftermath. **9.00 FILM** The Expendables 2. The mercenary team battles a rival band of hired guns who have killed one of their number. Action thriller sequel, starring Sylvester Stallone and Jean-Claude Van Damme. (2012) **11.00** Rob & Romesh Vs Hollywood Stunts. The duo learn about film stunt work. **12.00** Grimm **1.00-2am** Evil

SKY ATLANTIC

6am Fish Town **8.00** Billions **10.15** The Last Of Us **12.30** Homicide: Life On The Street **2.20** Billions **4.30** The White Lotus **6.45** The Last Of Us **9.00** The Terror: Devil In Silver. There is complete chaos when the staff take the patients for pizza, while the Devil shows Pepper what will happen if he fails to comply. **10.00** The Terror: Devil In Silver. Pepper has a session with Dr Walter and is reminded of his biggest shame, while Coffee discovers what lies beyond the silver door. **11.00** Task **12.10-2am** The Five-Star Weekend

SKY WITNESS

6am Sun, Sea And A&E **7.00** Border Patrol **8.00** UK Border Force **9.00** The Force: Manchester **10.00** Caught On Dashcam **11.00** Police 24/7 **12.00** FBI **2.00** The Rookie **3.00** Blue Bloods **4.00** Nothing To Declare **8.00** Caught On Dashcam. Road disasters captured on video by drivers' dashboard cameras. **9.00** Fire Country. A massive wildfire pushes Station 49 to its limits. **10.00** FBI: International. The Fly Team try to stop a major art heist in Belgium. **11.00** The Rookie. The team comes together to celebrate at a wedding. **12.00-2am** FBI

U&GOLD

7.20am Don't Wait Up **7.55** Ever Decreasing Circles **8.30** Porridge **9.10** The Green Green Grass **9.50** Are You Being Served? **10.30** Last Of The Summer Wine **11.50** Ever Decreasing Circles **12.25** Porridge **1.05** The Vicar Of Dibley **1.55** Dad's Army **2.35** The Green Green Grass **3.15** Are You Being Served? **3.55** Ever Decreasing Circles **4.30** Dad's Army **5.10** Last Of The Summer Wine **6.30** The Vicar Of Dibley **7.20** Dad's Army. Mainwaring sends his men on lengthy route marches to harden their feet. **8.00** The Vicar Of Dibley **9.35** The Royle Family. Jim embarks on a spot of DIY. **10.10** Not Going Out. Lucy tries to befriend posh new neighbours Toby and Anna. **10.50** The Vicar Of Dibley **12.20** The Royle Family **12.55** Not Going Out **1.35-2.25am** Don't Wait Up

COMEDY CENTRAL

8am The Upper Hand **9.05** Everybody Loves Raymond **11.00** Sabrina The Teenage Witch **1.00** Friends **9.00** Michael McIntyre's Big Show. With Alison Hammond, George Ezra and Peter Crouch. **10.00** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Uncut. With David Hasselhoff, Rachel Riley, Rob Beckett and Justin Moorhouse. **10.50** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Uncut. With Johnny Vegas, Vernon Kay, Paul Chowdhry and Katherine Ryan. **11.40** Whose Line Is It Anyway? USA **12.40-2.10am** South Park

U&ALIBI

7.10am Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **10.00** The Mentalist **11.00** Hudson & Rex **12.00** Body Of Proof **1.00** Return To Paradise **2.00** Murdoch Mysteries **4.00** The Mentalist **5.00** Hudson & Rex **6.00** Body Of Proof **7.00** Private Eyes. Matt and Angie help uncover the identity of a man with no memory. **8.00** Bookish. A body is found in unusual circumstances in a tailor's shop. **9.10** Bookish. Book and the team decipher the handiwork of a tailor who is capable of more than a suit. **10.25** Return To Paradise. Mackenzie suspects a suicide may in fact be a murder. **11.30** Private Eyes. Matt and Angie help uncover the identity of a man with no memory. **12.30** Shakespeare & Hathaway: Private Investigators **1.30-2.20am** Hudson & Rex

SKY COMEDY

8am Will & Grace **9.00** Sort Of **10.00** Avenue 5 **11.20** Will & Grace **12.20** Upright **1.40** Avenue 5 **3.00** Will & Grace **4.00** Hitmen: Reloaded **5.00** Community **6.00** Will & Grace **7.00** The US Office **8.00** Animal Control. Shred is on the rebound. **8.30** Animal Control. Frank uncovers an illegal animal smuggling ring. **9.00** Micky Flanagan: An' Another Fing Live. A stand-up show recorded at London's O2 Arena. **10.45** The Paper. Double bill. **11.50** Animal Control. Double bill. **12.50** Community **1.50-2.20am** The Reluctant Landlord

DISCOVERY

6am How It's Made **7.00** Treehouse Masters **9.00** Gold Rush **11.00** Building Off The Grid **1.00** Dr Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet **3.00** How It's Made **5.00** Alaska: Homestead Rescue **7.00** Wheeler Dealers World Tour. Mike Brewer and Marc Priestley tackle the last truly analogue Ferrari, the 348. **8.00** Wheeler Dealers **10.00** Mighty Truckers. The challenges of being a truck driver. **11.00** Expedition Files **12.00** Deadliest Catch **1.00-2am** Wheeler Dealers

RADIO

Virgin Radio 6.30am Chris Evans presents his rock n roll Breakfast show

VIRGIN RADIO DAB virginradio.co.uk

6.30am Chris Evans **10.00** Emma B **2.00** Ben Jones **6.00** Geoff Lloyd **10.00** Goldierocks **2.00-6.30am** Steve Denyer

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6am Jeremy Kyle **10.00** Julia Hartley Brewer **1.00** Ian Collins **4.00** Kevin O'Sullivan **7.00** Peter Cardwell **10.00** Petrie Hosken **1.00** Paul Ross **5.00-6am** Through The Papers

TALKSPORT 1053, 1089MW talksport.com

6am Alan Brazil **10.00** Jim White And Simon Jordan **1.00** Max Rushden & Charlie Baker **4.00** Drive **7.00** Kick Off **10.00** The Sports Bar **1.00** Paul Ross **5.00-6am** Early Sports Breakfast

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blooded killers. Over the course of the first episode, you slowly saw the lines between the different groups blur as more evidence emerged.

It was genuinely gripping.

And even more fascinating is the fact that, although the names and other details have been changed, this killing actually happened.

The lingering feeling, however, was that the level of mental and emotional investment made by the jurors – even when they disagreed – was strangely reassuring.

This is an important and quality piece of telly. A credit to Channel 4.

ROD McPHEE

TRAUMA . . . Judy on Stolen Babies

Sun tv picks

STOLEN BABIES, BBC Two, 9pm: Between 1949 and 1976, more than 250,000 unmarried mothers in the UK were forced to give up their newborn babies for adoption.

Here, women scarred by a policy embraced by social services, the Government and the NHS speak out.

One, Judy, recalls having her unplanned baby taken away when she was a teenager in 1967.

She said: "Why were vulnerable young women sent into a system that never once thought about us or our children? It's wicked."

Earlier this year, then-PM Sir Keir Starmer met campaigning mums, including Judy, and issued a formal apology in Parliament, describing the scandal as "a stain on our history".

THE REPAIR SHOP: BEYOND THE BARN, BBC One, 8pm: The experts have downed tools and now they're free to hit the road to reunite with some of the people whose cherished possessions they've revitalised.

Has Steve found the space to display his replica of Doctor Who companion K-9, which was repaired by electronics expert Mark Stuckey?

Has Shaun carried on looking after the renewed attache case that belonged to his great-great-aunt who cooked for Winston Churchill during World War Two?

And has John been rocking 'n' rolling in the restored cowboy hat he wore when he performed with David Bowie in 1970?

9/11: DAYS THAT SHOCKED THE WORLD, C4, 10pm & 11pm: For those who lived through, or witnessed the atrocities of 9/11 in 2001, this two-part documentary serves as a reminder of the shock of the terrorist attacks and the extraordinary rescue efforts that followed.

But crucially, this programme – which features moving testimonies from rescue workers and survivors – also speaks to the younger generations.

PROFESSOR T, ITV1, 9pm: When a school inspector is found murdered in his home, Jasper (Ben Miller), Maiya (Sunetra Sarker) and the team initially think it's a burglary that went wrong.

But the discovery of some bizarre details about the killing confuses matters.

Meanwhile, Miss Snares tries some detective work after she starts to suspect that the Dean might be Jasper's real father.

CHLOE ANDREWS

TNT SPORTS 1

6am Cycling **7.00** British Superbikes Highlights **8.00** MotoGP Rewind **8.15** Premier League Reload **8.30** Premier League Stories **9.00** Premier League Netbusters **9.30** Cycling **10.30** LIVE Cycling: Lloyds Tour Of Britain **4.00** LIVE Cycling: La Vuelta Men **5.00** MLB Plays of the Week **5.30** LIVE MLB. Cincinnati Reds v San Diego Padres. Start-time at 5.40. **8.30** MLB Plays of the Week **9.00** LIVE MLB. Boston Red Sox v Seattle Mariners. Start-time at 9.10. **12.00** MLB Plays of the Week **12.30** Premier League Netbusters **1.00** Premier League Stories **1.30-3am** Ultimate Pool

TNT SPORTS 2

6am Serie A **8.00** The Football Archives: UEFA Champions League **9.00** TNT Sports Cricket Reload **10.00** LIVE European T20 Premier League. Dublin Guardians v Rotterdam Dockers. **1.45** LIVE European T20 Premier League. Belfast Wolves v Edinburgh Castle Rockers. **5.30** CPL Highlights **6.00** TNT Sports Reload **6.30** Serie A – Full Impact **7.00** Premier League Review **8.00** MotoGP Highlights **9.00** British Superbikes Rewind **9.15** Discovery Golf **9.45** Premier League Reload **10.00** WRC Review **11.00** CPL Highlights **11.30pm-3.45am** LIVE CPL. Trinbago Knight Riders v Antigua & Barbuda Falcons.

TNT SPORTS 3

6am Supercars Championship Highlights **8.00** WRC Review **9.00** Formula E: Driver **10.00** Premier League Review **11.00** Fishing: On the Bank **12.00** MotoGP Rewind **12.15** Cycling **12.30** Cycling **1.30** LIVE Cycling: La Vuelta Men **5.00** Cycling **5.15** Premier League Reload **5.30** Supercars Championship Highlights **7.30** Ultimate Pool **9.00** Cycling **10.00** Cycling **11.00** Premier League Review **12.00** MotoGP Highlights **1.00-2am** Cycling

PREMIER SPORTS 1

6am Surfing **7.00** European Le Mans Series **8.00** Michelin Le Mans Cup **8.30** LaLiga Highlights **10.00** NASCAR Highlights **11.00** LaLiga **12.55** Michelin Le Mans Cup **1.25** Coppa Italia Show **1.55** LIVE Coppa Italia. Sassuolo v Frosinone. Kick-off at 2.00. **4.15** LaLiga Highlights **4.55** LIVE Coppa Italia. Udinese v Venezia. Kick-off at 5.00. **7.15** LaLiga Highlights **8.00** Bike World **8.30** NASCAR Highlights **9.30** KOTV Weekly **10.00** LaLiga **12.00-12.30am** Sporting Countdowns

TALKSPORT2 *DAB talksport.com*

8am TalkSPORT 2 Special **1.00** Racing Live **3.00** The Social **5.00** Howzat For A Podcast! **6.00** TalkSPORT 2 Special **7.00** EFL Live. Burnley v Middlesbrough. **10.00** TalkSPORT 2 Special **12.00-8am** My Sporting Life

TIMES RADIO *DAB thetimes.co.uk/radio*

6am Kate McCann And Stig Abell **10.00** Hugo Rifkind **1.00** Jo Coburn **2.00** Jane Garvey And Fi Glover **4.00** John Pienaar **7.00** Kait Borsay **10.00** Carole Walker **1.00** The Best Of Times Radio **5.00-6am** Early Breakfast

RADIO 1 *97.6-99.8FM bbc.co.uk/radio1*

6.58am Newsbeat **7.00** Breakfast With Greg James **11.00** Rickie, Melvin And Charlie **12.45** Newsbeat **1.00** Matt And Mollie **3.30** Newsbeat **3.33** Going Home With Vick, Katie And Jamie On Radio 1 **5.45** Newsbeat **6.00** New Music Show With Jack Saunders **8.00** Future Pop With Mollie King **10.00** Power Down Playlist With Sian Eleri **11.00** Benji B **1.00** Dance Presents **2.00** Anthems **4.00** Pop Anthems **5.00-6.58am** Early Breakfast With Dean McCullough

RADIO 2 *88-91FM bbc.co.uk/radio2*

6.30am The Sara Cox Breakfast Show **9.30** Vernon Kay **12.00** Tina Daheley **2.00** DJ Spoony **4.00** Drivetime **7.00** Jo Whiley's Shiny Happy Playlist **7.30** Jo Whiley **9.00** The Folk Show With Mark Radcliffe **10.00** Melvin Odoom **12.00** OJ Borg **3.00** Dermot O'Leary (R) **4.00-6.30am** Owain Wyn Evans

MOVIES

Sky Cinema Premiere 7.50pm Radha Mitchell stars in thriller Seven Snipers

SKY CINEMA PREMIERE

8.35am Goat (PG, 2026) ★★★ **10.25 Looney Tunes: The Day The Earth Blew Up** (PG, 2024) ★★★ **12.00 Charlie The Wonderdog** (PG, 2025) ★★★ **1.35 Song Sung Blue** (12, 2025) ★★★★ **3.50 Hamnet** (12, 2025) ★★★★ **6.00 Goat** (PG, 2026) ★★★ **7.50 Seven Snipers** (15, 2026) ★★★ **9.25 Rise Of The Conqueror** (15, 2026) ★★★ **11.35pm-1.25am Panda Plan 2: The Magical Tribe** (12, 2026) ★★★

SKY CINEMA ANIMATION

7.45am Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs 2 (U, 2013) ★★★★ **9.25 The Secret Life Of Pets** (U, 2016) ★★★★ **10.55 The Secret Life Of Pets 2** (U, 2019) ★★★★ **12.25 Goat** (PG, 2026) ★★★ **2.10 Tom And Jerry: Forbidden Compass** (PG, 2025) ★ **4.00 Hotel Transylvania** (U, 2012) ★★★★ **5.35 Hotel Transylvania 2** (U, 2015) ★★★ **7.10 Hotel Transylvania 3: A Monster Vacation** (U, 2018) ★★★ **8.50 Shark Tale** (U, 2004) ★★★★ **10.25 The Wild Thornberrys Movie** (U, 2002) ★★ **11.55 Corpse Bride** (PG, 2005) ★★★★ **1.20-2.50am Flushed Away** (U, 2006) ★★★★

SKY CINEMA ACTION

8.45am Safe House (15, 2025) ★★★ **10.25 Love Hurts** (15, 2025) ★★★ **12.00 Homefront** (15, 2013) ★★ **1.50 Spider-Man: Homecoming** (12, 2017) ★★★★★ **4.10 Venom** (15, 2018) ★★★★ **6.10 Hummingbird** (15, 2013) ★★★★ **8.00 xXx** (12, 2002) ★★★★ **10.15 Django Unchained** (18, 2012) ★★★★★ **1.05-3.20am Kraven The Hunter** (15, 2024) ★★★

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1.25pm Rosaline (15, 2022) ★★★★ **3.15 The Story Of Robin Hood And His Merrie Men** (U, 1952) ★★★★ **5.00 The Gunfighter** (U, 1950) ★★★ **6.45 Uncharted** (12, 2022) ★★★★ **9.00 Venom: Let There Be Carnage** (15, 2021) ★★★ **10.50 Daredevil** (15, 2003) ★★★ **12.55-2.45am The Missionary** (15, 1982) ★★★

TALKING PICTURES freeview 82

3.30pm Dial 999 4.00 That's My Boy 4.35 Aberdeen: The Silver City 5.00 The Ship That Died Of Shame (PG, 1955) ★★ **7.00 Out Of Town 7.30 Boy With A Flute 8.05 Van Der Valk 9.10 The Casebook Of Sherlock Holmes 11.15 Carrington VC** (PG, 1954) ★★★ **1.15-3.05am Every Day's A Holiday** (U, 1965) ★★

GREAT! MYSTERY freeview 50

3pm Diagnosis Murder 5.00 Murder, She Wrote 7.00 Castle 8.00 Unforgettable 9.00 In Plain Sight 10.00 Garage Sale Mysteries: Guilty Until Proven Innocent (PG, 2016) ★★ **11.55pm-1.50am Garage Sale Mysteries: The Art Of Murder** (PG, 2017) ★★★

GREAT! ACTION freeview 42

3.50pm Battle For The Skies (15, 2013) ★★★ **6.00 The Unit 7.00 Burn Notice 9.00 Attack Force** (15, 2006) ★★ **11.00 The Avengers 12.00-1am The Baron**

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Ex tricked me back into bed

Dear Deidre

I FEEL so used and betrayed after my ex-boyfriend duped me into having sex with him. I thought he wanted me back, but he only intended it to be "a last goodbye".

We met at university when I was 19 and he was 22. I'm 25 now and have moved back in with my parents after graduating and finding a job in my home town.

He stayed in our uni town and started working for an accountancy firm. We'd see each other at weekends and still have holidays together, but he seemed to be losing interest in our relationship.

Our sex life wasn't great either. He never wanted to do it at my parents' house, which I could understand to an extent, but even in his flat, his enthusiasm for intimacy with me was waning.

He eventually said he'd met somebody at work and I was heartbroken.

I then went months without seeing him. I was trying to get on with my life when I got a text from him saying he was going to be working near me and asking if I'd meet him.

I thought he'd had a change of heart and wanted me back. I was so excited.

I put on my red dress – a favourite of his – and we had dinner. He invited me up to his hotel room for a nightcap, before kissing me. He then took my clothes off gently and let down my hair like he used to, and we had sex, which took me back to how it was when we met.

It felt incredible.

The next day I messaged him, asking when we could meet again, but he replied saying he had done it for "closure" and our night of passion was the last one.

He added he was "moving on" with his new girlfriend. To say I'm angry is an understatement.

DEIDRE SAYS: You won't believe this now, but you've dodged a bullet. He has used you, taken advantage of your feelings and shown a complete disregard. You deserve better.

We all change a lot in our teens and early twenties and he's proof of that.

Let's not forget he has cheated on his girlfriend, too. Would you want to be with a man who so readily lies?

In time, you'll realise this wasn't right for you. Try to move on by going out with friends and enjoying some single time.

The right person is out there, but it's not this man, who deserves to be put firmly in your past.

My support pack, Mend Your Broken Heart, will help you.

here for you

On WhatsApp, Facebook, Email & Instagram

Is something troubling you? Our experienced counsellors are here to offer insight and practical help. Email or DM us (details below) or scan this QR code to send a WhatsApp.

EVEN LOSING FAMILY WON'T MAKE ME KICK DRUGS

Dear Deidre

NOTHING in the world can convince me to quit the dreaded weed – not even my wife threatening to throw me out.

We're both fed up with it but I just can't stop. The money I'm paying to dealers is obscene and now I'm in serious debt.

I started smoking it when I was trying to revise for my GCSEs ten years ago. A mate suggested cannabis would take the edge off the nerves and then I couldn't seem to stop.

I'm 26 now and I've got a great job, but if the company found out I was using, I know I'd be sacked. My wife, who is 38, has said if I don't clean up my act, I'm out.

We have two kids, aged three and two, and even the thought of not seeing them every night is not enough to stop me. When she mentioned the consequences, I rolled a big spliff to calm myself down.

Should I check into rehab?

DEIDRE SAYS: That might be your only answer but, before that, try some things for yourself. Get rid of any drugs in the house and delete dealers' numbers from your phone.

The harder you make it for yourself to get hold of drugs, the easier it will be to quit. Don't hang out with drug-using friends – find new ones with fresh mutual interests.

Check out meetup.com for ideas of new hobbies going on in your locality. If they are sports-focused, it may take your mind off using. My support pack, Drug Worries, shows you who to contact for additional emotional help.

JEHOVAH WITNESS WIFE IS ABUSIVE

Dear Deidre

MY mate's world has come crashing down due to his wife's unbearable behaviour.

We go biking together, which is his only outlet these days. He's 41 and I'm 45.

We met through work years ago but he lost his job recently. He used to enjoy work and he would talk to me about his difficult wife.

She's 38 and she's become a Jehovah's Witness. She pushes this on him and on their 12-year-old son to the extent that they are not allowed to celebrate Christmas or birthdays anymore. They don't watch TV and no one in the house is allowed a mobile phone.

My mate knocks on my door if he's got a "pass" to go biking. Sometimes, if he doesn't do as she says, she'll deliberately damage his bike.

I'm worried for him, but he says he can't afford a divorce.

DEIDRE SAYS: Her religious beliefs aside, this is abusive behaviour.

Encourage your friend to find some support through ManKind Initiative (mankind.org.uk, 01823 334 244), who can advise on how to tackle her behaviour while keeping himself safe.

If the controlling doesn't stop or she won't change, a divorce may be his only option.

He can find support on how to do this in the cheapest way through amicable.io, who offer a free 15-minute consultation.

Keep suggesting biking days out. Perhaps it would be good for their son to learn some biking skills, too.

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EDDIE'S ENDLESS OPTIONS: **DAY 3**

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FOR many smokers, quitting is about much more than putting down the cigarettes. Nicotine cravings, established routines, stress and the fear of failing again can all make it difficult to stop.

You might have good days followed by a setback, but that doesn't mean you can't try again. Giving up at any age can significantly boost life expectancy.

If you want to take back control, see my support pack, Giving Up Smoking?

Dear Deidre

OBSESSED WITH TRANS WOMEN

I HAD sex with a trans woman and now I'm obsessed with a repeat performance.

I don't know where this has come from because I'm a former rugby-playing, red-blooded male and I have a girlfriend. She's 36 and I'm 39.

We are very happy, but she does not live with me because she has two kids from a previous relationship and they stay near their dad.

It started with watching pornography featuring trans women and then I wanted to meet someone like that. I found an app and made contact with a trans woman and asked for some pictures. She obliged, then she came over to my house and, after chatting, I asked if she wanted sex. She did, but she gave me a price for it.

I told her that wasn't our arrangement – I hadn't realised she was a sex worker – but I did it anyway.

I felt guilty about cheating, but there wasn't an emotional connection and now I want to do it again. I feel bad for my girlfriend, though. She's got no idea. Still, the urge for me is overwhelming.

DEIDRE SAYS: Cheating is cheating, no matter who it is with and whatever level of emotional attachment you feel. Looking at pornography of trans women may have ignited some curiosity, but now you've made the fantasy a reality, you know you want more.

If you didn't have safe sex, go and get checked for any STIs. You're risking your girlfriend's sexual health as well as your own if you don't.

If you love your girlfriend, you owe it to her to break this obsession before it gets out of control and you wreck your relationship.

Find support and help to stop these urges at a reasonable cost through pivotalrecovery.org.

And read my support pack, LGBT+ Questions, which may help you to take a step back and decide whether your sexuality has changed.

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Fab DAILY

With the cost of football camps, holidays and trips to the cinema, **NILUFER ATIK**, 50, spent more than £5,000 during the summer holidays ... and she's not alone

I'M BUST* AFTER SPENDING £5k IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

(*That's Bankrupt Upon Start of Term)

COUNTING COST . . . Nilufer has forked out so son doesn't miss out

SCHOOL summer holidays can leave parents utterly exhausted – and broke.

Now the six-week break has come to an end, parents are counting the cost.

Single mum Nilufer Atik, 50, knows this all too well. She finds herself B.U.S.T. – Bankrupt Upon the Start of Term.

Nilufer, a writer who lives in Surrey with nine-year-old son Milo, tells **YASMÍN HARISHA** *how she has spent around £5,000 this summer . . .*

"While school summer holidays bring the chance to spend quality time with the kids, they can be exhausting.

Having to entertain your little ones all day is a challenge, especially if, like me, you are a single working mum and your child has no brothers or sisters.

Then it falls on you to provide the play and company they miss out on when not at school. That's no mean feat when you're also juggling work deadlines and meetings at home.

It's also not cheap, as I've learned over the last few years, having spent thousands on holidays, activities, summer camps, clubs and days out just to make sure Milo has a good time.

Because of this, I always end up broke, in debt and stressed out by September, which has happened again this year. I spent around £5,000 in total over six weeks.

And I know I'm not alone in my struggle.

Almost three-quarters of parents bust their budget in the summer holidays, creating severe financial stress right before the expensive back-to-school season, charity Save The Children reports.

Its survey also revealed that 59 per cent of parents find summer to be the most financially challenging time of year – even more so than Christmas.

I'm one of them. For the last three years, as my son has got older and his activities have become more expensive, I have spent around £16,000 in total during the summer holidays – money I can ill afford.

Last year I spent £6,200 because our plans included a week's holiday to a five-star resort in Turkey with my mum, costing £3,000, and four days' glamping at a family festival that cost £1,200. This year, I managed to save around £1,000 in advance but was still left with £4,133 debt.

People may think I'm stupid for spending money I don't have, but it's hard. You don't want your child to miss out when peers are doing fun and exciting things.

Sense of guilt

It's difficult, as some of my son's school friends have wealthy parents who go to places like Dubai, Florida and the South of France, staying in luxury villas and high-end resorts.

Nannies take them to private tennis lessons, art classes, drama clubs and wherever else they want to go, day or night.

It's not that I feel I'm not as good as they are because I'm not wealthy – I earn less than £40,000 a year. I just don't want Milo to feel different.

I like that when he goes back to school, he has his own tales to tell about the places he's been and the fun things he's done while off school, like his friends.

Plus, as a sole breadwinner, I can't alternate time off with a spouse, and I do feel a sense of guilt when I have to work and Milo is at home with me playing online games or watching movies on his tablet.

As he doesn't have a sibling to play with, I then want to make it up to him by arranging lots of activities and days out over summer when I do have time off.

And, yes, there will be people out there who might argue that I can just do free things with my son, like take him to the park to kick a ball around, or play card games at home.

But when kids get to a certain age, they want to do the same things their friends do when they aren't in school, like go to football camp, which costs £80 a day.

The summer break is also an opportunity for Milo to see his extended family, like his grandparents, who live up north.

It costs me £200 in petrol when we visit, but with my parents getting older, any time he spends with them is precious.

This year so far I have spent more than £2,000 on a holiday to Faliraki in Greece with friends, around £1,000 on a weekend glamping trip to Wales with family, £800 on a weekend trip to a festival and the rest of the £5,000 I spent went on football and kids' camps, and days out to the

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£79 Playdate with puppies gave son a lot of joy

£90 Three trips to trampoline park soon add up

£2,200 Nilufer took Milo to Faliraki in Greece

Fab DAILY

MY SUMMER HOL SPENDS

Week in Faliraki, Greece	£2,200
Glamping trip to Snowdonia, three nights	£980
Four sessions at children's football camp	£320
Two months' swimming membership	£120
Football scouting sessions, two at £25 each	£50
Three days at kids' club	£180
Puppy playdate	£79
Trips to the cinema with drinks and snacks	£160
Takeaways for movie nights, four at £20 each	£80
Two theatre trips	£136
Two trips to gaming centre	£48
Go-karting	£66
Three visits to the trampoline park at £29.90 each	£89.70
Two trips to northern England to visit family, cost of petrol	£400
Twist Museum, London	£53
Visit Flip Out leisure centre	£39
Virtual reality football at Toca Social	£37
Mini golf session	£44
Paradox Museum, London	£51.50

TOTAL: £5,133.20

'WE'LL NEVER GET THESE TIMES BACK'

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cinema, adventure parks, the theatre, swimming, mini golf, go-karting, trampolining and even a puppy playdate, which cost £79 for an hour's play with a litter of puppies.

Yes, it's a lot to spend for an hour, but the joy it brought to Milo was worth it.

I had managed to save a little in advance, but not enough, so now my overdraft is at its limit, and I'm going to have to try to take on extra freelance work to pay it off gradually.

I'll also have to cut back on spending so that means no new clothes, shoes, make-up or toiletries for me.

No evenings out with friends, no takeaways and cancelling things like meditation apps on my phone. I need some dental work done – two new fillings – but that's going to have to wait.

I also borrowed some money from a relative and put some of the costs for the events and activities we attended over the summer onto Klarna, so I've started selling old clothes, books, toys and electricals on Vinted to raise extra cash.

I'll also need money to buy Milo's new school uniform soon too, along with some trainers and football boots as he has outgrown his old ones.

Luckily his birthday is coming up, so my parents will probably buy him those.

It does worry me being so overdrawn as it means my earnings are completely swallowed up by my overdraft, and I have no money at all for emergencies.

If I'm honest, I would like to be more sensible with my money and not overspend so much over the summer, but there's also a part of me that thinks I will never get the opportunity to relive these days with Milo.

One day he'll be all grown up and will fly the nest, so I want to make the most of the time I have with him now, while I have it.

If you are struggling with debt and are looking for help, contact the StepChange debt charity, or Citizens Advice.

Five steps to help you get out of the red

MATTHEW SHEERAN, from debt advice service Money Wellness, says it is important to take action to steady finances, and not bury your head in the sand. He said: "If the holidays have left you with debt, the key is to deal with it now."

His top five tips are . . .

1. **Stop putting new spending on credit:** If possible, put the credit card away while you clear the holiday debt. There's little point paying off August's spending if September's food shop and school costs are going straight back onto the card.
2. **Tackle the expensive debt first:** List each debt alongside its balance, interest rate and minimum payment. Keep paying the minimum on everything, but put any extra money towards the debt charging the most interest. This should save you more over time as you pay each one off.
3. **Do a subscription sweep:** Go through the last three months of bank and card statements and cancel anything you're not using. Cutting three £10-a-month subscriptions saves £30 a month. And don't forget to check annual subscriptions set to auto-renew.
4. **Have a three-month spending reset:** For the next 12 weeks, cut back on non-essentials such as takeaways, impulse shopping, expensive days out and unused memberships. Even freeing up £50 a week gives you £600 over three months to put towards the debt.
5. **Set a weekly spending limit:** If money keeps disappearing before payday, stop thinking in monthly terms. Work out what you have available for food, fuel and other variable spending and give yourself a weekly limit. It's much easier to spot when you're overspending.

IN A SPIN . . . Samantha as croupier

By SAMANTHA REA

BOOBS are back! Yes, buoyant breasts are this season's style essential, trending on catwalks, shown off by celebs, and leading to boosted sales of push-up bras.

As a woman who delights in my own assets, this is fabulous news. My childhood role models were Wonder Woman and She-Ra – strong females with fabulous figures and killer cleavages.

They created the blueprint for what I wanted to look like when I grew up. So of course, as a '90s teenager, Wonderbras seemed like they had been sent from heaven to help me achieve my destiny.

We all remember the massive billboards of supermodel Eva Herzigova looking overjoyed at the sight of her resplendent rack.

Catwalk models weren't known for being buxom – but wearing a Wonderbra, Eva Herzigova suddenly sported a bosom that could have starred in a Carry On film.

It seems I'm not the only one lauding the return of boobs – multiple famous faces have too.

This summer, in a string of photos from Coachella music festival in California, Kylie Jenner posed in just jeans and a bra, with her surgically enhanced breasts pushed together. Recently, the 29-year-old mother of two said she wants them even bigger, to "walk in (*the room*) before I do".

Risk of nip-slips

And it seems ordinary people are following suit. Victoria's Secret says sales of its push-up bra have increased year on year since 2024. A fortnight ago, its chief creative officer Adam Selman declared in New York magazine's The Cut section: "Cleavage is big back."

Meanwhile, Vogue asked its readers: "Are you ready for the return of cleavage?" before revealing that it's already everywhere, including on the catwalks of Versace, Givenchy and Dolce & Gabbana.

Kim Kardashian's Skims brand has six variations of push-up bra on its bestseller list, and M&S has over 50 to choose from, while Lily Allen, Addison Rae, Olivia Rodrigo and Charli XCX have all appeared on stage with just a push-up bra covering their top half.

And I'm sure Sydney Sweeney's recent run of success has helped anyone who has been too shy to show off their boobs.

As a skinny teenager, I owned several Wonderbras and was determined to turn myself into Pamela Anderson or She-Ra.

Having failed my A levels with an "F" and two "U"s, slouching around at university wasn't an option. Instead, I trained as a croupier and went to work in a Mayfair private members' club.

I dealt blackjack, poker and punto banco, wearing high heels and an evening dress designed to be distracting. Mental arithmetic mattered, but tits, teeth and charm were the cherries on the cake.

I was once tipped £11,000 in just 45 minutes. I can't say I would have made that much without a push-up bra.

And it wasn't just Wonderbras lifting our, ahem, spirits. Ultimo, the rival push-up bra brand created by the glamorous (but now disgraced) Michelle Mone, was apparently worn by Julia Roberts when she starred as the busty one-woman lawsuit tsunami Erin Brockovich.

Ultimo was modelled by glamazonian goddesses Rachel Hunter and Penny Lancaster – so of course I had to have it too.

I worked with lots of beautiful older women who had been Bunnies at the Playboy Club on Park Lane until it closed in 1981.

BUST FOOT FORWARD . . . Charli XCX at last year's Grammys

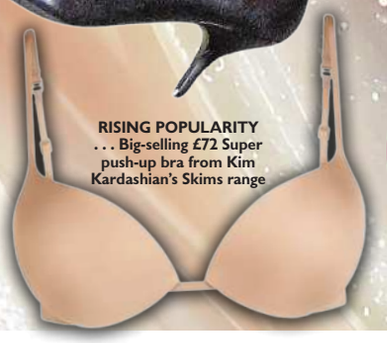
'My childhood role models were Wonder Woman and She-Ra – strong females with fabulous figures and killer cleavages'

ROLE MODEL . . . Lynda Carter as Wonder Woman

I'M CHEST SO HAPPY BOOBS ARE BACK IN VOGUE AT LAST

BY A FORMER PLAYBOY BUNNY

HOPPY DAYS . . . Samantha in her Payboy Bunny outfit



RISING POPULARITY . . . Big-selling £72 Super push-up bra from Kim Kardashian's Skims range

'The costumes were made with cavernous cups and we would stuff these full with loo roll and socks at the start of each shift'

They were so glamorous and I decided at the tender age of 18 that, if Playboy ever reopened in London, I would be a Bunny.

So when it opened again in 2011, that's what I did.

I wore the classic black Bunny costume. These were tailored to fit in a corner of the staff canteen, sectioned off by a bit of bamboo screening.

Standing by a window, overlooked by the office opposite, the seamstress would get you to raise your arms to see if your nipples rose above the cups of the costume.

Being long in the body, mine always did, so the seamstress would promise to "let out the crotch" to increase the length of the outfit.

Unfortunately, this never worked. It just left the garment with an impractically narrow crotch – so I took to wearing long hair extensions to keep my nipples covered.

I wasn't the only one at risk of nip-slips – another Bunny I worked with would use concealer to camouflage hers, as a matter of course.

The costumes were made with cavernous cups, and we would stuff these full with loo roll and socks at the start of each shift.

It didn't matter what size your breasts were to start with – the cups were always made bigger, to be filled with whatever you could get your hands on.

So we all appeared to have massive breasts, bursting out of our Bunny costumes.

It looked fabulous, but dear God, I was cold, with air conditioning freezing the cherries off my Belgian buns. Anyone who says you lose the most heat from your head hasn't spent the week with their tits out.

Leaving Playboy after less than a year, I swung to the other extreme and turned to yoga bras.

These are comfortable and cosy, and they keep my nipples covered – which was everything I wanted after having my breasts hoiked up under my chin for 40 hours a week.

I still owned a few push-up bra sets, but I only wore them for work. I was presenting a roulette show on Sky, and we were expected to look glamorous.

I also did some other on-screen bits and bobs, and sometimes lingerie was the entire outfit – like the time I did the Harlem Shake dance craze with Stephen Mulhern in an advert for Britain's Got Talent.

However, outside work, I only ever wore yoga bras – or no bra at all, if the top or dress provided enough support.

Switching to journalism, where I could make my living at my laptop, I threw away all my push-up bras.

Feminine curves

Sitting at home behind a screen, I didn't need them any more. It didn't matter what I looked like, so I could prioritise being comfortable and, quite frankly, I wanted to keep my tits to myself.

A few years later, in 2016, Vogue declared that cleavages were out.

This death knell for knockers was echoed all over the media, and it suited me just fine.

The next time I was seen on screen was in 2017, on BBC News about the London sex for rent scandal. I wore a loose-fitting unisex-style shirt buttoned almost up to my neck. As a journalist, I'm often photographed for my features, so push-up bras had a brief reprieve in 2019 when I spent a week dressed as bra tsar Mone, to see if it inspired me to be a millionaire.

Ultimo had stopped trading by then, but I managed to source some of its sets to emulate a photoshoot that Mone had done in her lingerie range.

Wearing a matching push-up bra set for the first time in years, it struck me that I had been living in "goblin mode", mismatching multipack knickers with random yoga bras.

However, I wasn't ready to give up my comfortable underclothing, and a year later, lockdown struck – so then we were ALL living in goblin mode!

I sometimes felt bad for boyfriends who never saw me in anything sexy, but I didn't want straps and underwiring digging into my skin. Soft fabrics with gentle support had become my staple and, besides, these were not boobtastic times. In summer I wore loose linen shirts; in winter I wore big jumpers. Whatever the occasion, "the girls" were not in view.

However, recently I've found myself drawn to dresses that do display a hint of décolletage.

Wearing them, I feel feminine – and I don't mind if someone gets a glimpse of cleavage.

It's been a dreary decade covering up my assets, so I'm more than ready for the return of the rack.

And after all the Brazilian Butt Lifts that we've seen in tight leggings on Instagram, isn't it so much more civilised to bare a bit of cleavage than it is to walk around presenting swollen buttocks like baboons?

Now I'm in my forties I want to make the most of my figure and celebrate my feminine curves – on my own terms.

I'm yet to shop for new uplifting lingerie, but with the Baywatch reboot coming to our TV screens soon, and in tribute to the late, great Dolly Parton, I might just buy a new push-up bra.

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The page where you tell Britain what you think

NEW day, same BBC. This time, it broadcasts footage on iPlayer of Brit hip-hop loser Loyle Carner, *pictured*, having a dig at Nigel Farage and rapping, "free Palestine" at Reading Festival.

Will the broadcaster never learn or does it just not care? I think it is the latter and that it's time the BBC was defunded.

If anyone wants to listen to such drivel that's up to them – but the rest of us shouldn't have to pay for it.

JAMIE WILLIAMS
Dunstable, Beds

IF I was driving a defective car, so dangerous it could easily cause injury or death on the streets, this government would demand my identity and want to punish me accordingly.

Using the same logic, can I demand to know the names of all those responsible for knowingly releasing criminals early from prison, on to the same streets, so they can also be punished if those offenders cause injury or death?

PHILLIP HALEY
Newport, Gwent

ANNOUNCING next year's DollyFest in Nashville, Tennessee, and London so soon after the country legend's death is in bad taste. We should show more respect.

JOHN SHAW
Epping, Essex

IT seems that for 64-year-old film star Tom Cruise, *pictured*, looking his age is Mission: Impossible. He was pictured in Florida surrounded by glam grid girls at the Daytona International Speedway as he confirmed he is filming a Days Of Thunder sequel. Whatever his secret, he looks amazing.

ROSIE REAGAN
Dundrum, Co Down

The Megxit mistakes

£50 LETTER

SO the Duchess of Sussex is worried about security while doing the school run.

Surely that's the first thing Meghan and Harry would have discussed before returning to England with kids Archie and Lilibet, after six years in the US?

I suspect this is just another way they are trying to get full security paid for by us taxpayers.

EDWARD CLARK
Congresbury, North Somerset

HOWEVER unpalatable it may seem, the Sussexes need high-level security – with the State protecting them and Harry and Meghan contributing to the cost.

Harry's father is the King, and his family could be a target for terrorists or anyone with a grudge against the country.

PADDY MAXWELL
Southampton

ARE Meghan's school-run worries a tug at the heartstrings after trying everything else to get armed police protection?

The family chose to return from California, seemingly without proper thought. As always, it all has to be about them.

BRIAN LEA
Nottingham

WHY should taxpayers foot the bill for the Sussexes' security? They are non-working royals.

As for their privacy fears, people are curious about the couple. It is unrealistic to try to keep their children under wraps.

The couple should lead as normal a life as possible for the sake of their mental and physical health. Closer relationships with relatives would help all concerned.

MARY WINDSOR
Mansfield, Notts

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I SEE Argentina's Lionel Messi has quit international football. Well, he has won pretty much every honour, and is still going strong at Inter Miami.

IAN OWEN
Wallington, Surrey

I WAS in a very busy Tesco and nearly got run over numerous times by trolleys. They should bring in a one-way system.

RICHARD HOBSON
Brighouse, West Riding

KEMI BADENOCH has been a fine Tory leader, and may spring a surprise at the next election.

ALEX DIXON
Morpeth, Northumberland

KEIR STARMER's decision to stand down from Parliament yesterday, on his successor Andy Burnham's first day addressing MPs in the Commons, seems like an act of revenge. In doing so, he is also opening up the way for that Green looney Zack Polanski to become an MP.

Starmer's actions have shown how bitter he is at the way Burnham ousted him.

Burnham will no doubt be angry, but it's what he deserved and an early Christmas gift for Tory leader Kemi Badenoch.

SIMON LEWIS
Market Weighton, Yorks

APART from being more charismatic, Andy Burnham is no different to Keir Starmer when it comes to politics.

There are still huge pay rises for train drivers, no drilling in the North Sea and no end to the illegal immigrants arriving by the boatload. We are stuck with the same old Labour.

DAVID ROBERTS
Market Rasen, Lincs

IT'S time for Andy Burnham to be the PM he pledged to be. So far he's like a Starmer clone, which is not what Britain needs.

He'll face a backlash over the early release of dangerous criminals and anger over his failure to commit to spending three per cent of GDP on defence by 2030.

Not to mention having no plans to slash the huge welfare bill. Good luck Andy. You'll need it.

MARK PATTEN
West Denton, Tyne and Wear

THE Sun is right. Burnham needs to start making **STRONG** decisions and stick to them.

The decision to release hundreds of dangerous prisoners serving indefinite sentences is ludicrous. Why gamble with public safety?

We've known for years our prisons are overcrowded. It's time for urgent action to fix this.

ABBY YARDLEY
Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk

WHY release any convicts early? Before finding the resources to house illegal economic migrants, this pathetic Government should have paid to convert old military sites into jails.

KEITH HADLEY
Swadlincote, Derbys

ANDY BURNHAM needs to sharpen his mind. Stop the flaming boats, cut the welfare bill and start drilling for oil. This is a winning combination.

ROCKY WEBSTER
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ARIES March 21 – April 20

A family matter that's been hanging in the balance finally starts tipping in the right direction. But let it unfold in its own time. Even you have to bluff confidence sometimes, so put on your painted smile at work. An encounter with an animal is meaningful to you, maybe even as a message from spirit.

TAURUS April 21 – May 21

Today, find the right words to keep things from getting awkward. Maybe someone has taken your friendliness for flirtation and developed a soft spot. Whether the feeling is mutual or not, the sweetness is a plus. Venus brings other pleasures too, but overindulgence could leave you sluggish. Spend to sensible limits.

GEMINI May 22 – June 21

An old memory feels relevant again, offering a clue to a current issue. Once you make the link, a conversation you've been putting off becomes easier. Mars in your finance zone gives a money-making idea real potential, but talking about it will only do so much. A well-connected friend is the help you really need.

CANCER June 22 – July 22

A problem filling your head may mean having to cut through red tape. Remember that patience gets you further than swimming against the tide. Someone close has pressures of their own, so don't take their distance personally. News from a friend you've been rooting for comes as a welcome distraction.

LEO July 23 – August 23

When you believe in an idea, your enthusiasm is infectious. Be quick with a plan that could make you money. You take the lead but don't assume everyone wants to be told what to do. If a door closes, rejection is just redirection. Keep moving. With lucky Jupiter in your sign, trust that something better is taking shape.

VIRGO August 24 – September 22

Don't lower your standards just because someone thinks you're asking for too much. With the Sun and Mercury in your sign, this is a good day to spell out what you want. Your hard work is starting to pay off but beware of someone wanting a piece of the pie without putting in the same effort. A foreign coin brings luck.

LIBRA September 23 – October 23

Scales feeling lopsided? Restless thoughts could be costing you more than precious sleep. Today is best for clearing the air. Changing your mind isn't the same as losing face. In your love life, seeing things differently adds crucial spice. On the dating scene it's a no-no with someone who, sadly, bores you.

SCORPIO October 24 – November 22

The tighter you grip the wheel, the harder it is to steer. A friend spots a way around a tricky problem. Be open to their advice, for obvious answers or even for being let off the hook. In your love life keep your cards close to your chest, especially when dating. A familiar face reappears in your dreams.

SAGITTARIUS November 23 – December 21

That urge to pack a bag will have to wait while real-life commitments keep your feet on the ground. The upside of this is right place, right time. Everyone is all ears at work, so say what you really think. The Moon in your love zone makes sure the right person is noticing you, too. Late-night texting is full of fun.

CAPRICORN December 22 – January 20

Someone close keeps moving the goalposts which may make you wonder what you've done wrong. Probably nothing. If they want to make a mountain out of a molehill, let them climb it alone. Enjoy talking things through with your other half, or, if you're single, a hot date gives you something far better to think about.

AQUARIUS January 21 – February 18

Even the simplest jobs take longer than expected, especially if you're waiting on a message. Give yourself extra time rather than trying to force things along. A relationship is going strong so let your guard down and share something you've hidden. A souvenir brought back from abroad is your lucky charm.

PISCES February 19 – March 20

Keep your head in the clouds if that's where your best ideas come from. A creative block lifts when you stop worrying about what others think. You may feel you have something to prove to your partner, even if they haven't asked for it. The effort will be noticed. A song not heard in years is a lucky love sign.

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		8			2	9		
	5			1				2
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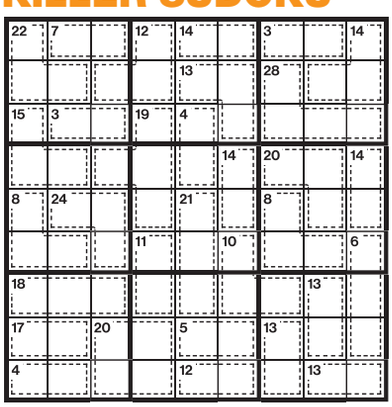

The normal rules of sudoku apply. In addition, the digits in each inner shape (marked by dashes) must add up to the number in the top corner of that shape. No digit can be repeated within an inner shape. Solution on right.

TWO-SPEED CROSSWORD

Two sets of clues but the answers are the same

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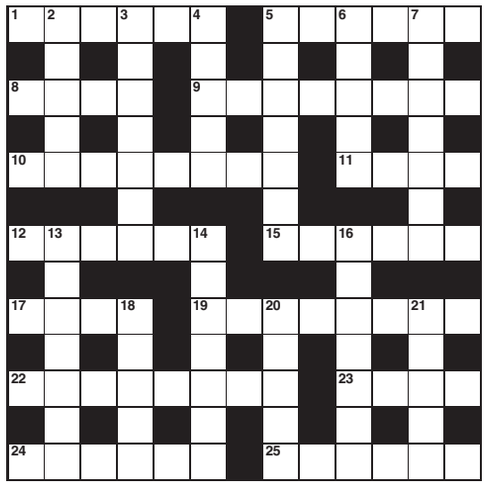
ACROSS

1 Barney crashes a car following westbound nurses (6)
5 Casually look round bank in Bushey, oddly (6)
8 An inspiring international seaside entertainment location (4)
9 Upset a curt ref in break (8)
10 Float left by musical threesome on vacation (8)
11 Again complete part of bizarre documentary (4)
12 Got a goal in South Dakota, taking heart (6)
15 End of day ahead of schedule once every 12 months (6)
17 Missing father, waits in Customs (4)
19 Sensible, when half-cut, to include tip in farewell meetings (4-4)
22 Politician inviting trouble on introduction of diving in calm water (8)
23 Large boring fish not doing much (4)
24 Part of nicely grand twisting pattern (6)
25 Sid claiming First Lady strained (6)

DOWN

2 Easier, having shaved head, to dance in lift (5)
3 Actress Fisher runs for airline (7)
4 One entering Chesterfield, perhaps, important European city (5)
5 British party animal with yen for courage (7)
6 Swimmer in Rotterdam (5)
7 Pastry rustled unexpectedly (7)
13 Teller's remains found in cooked rice (7)
14 Get rid of Detective Inspector's model (7)
16 Worry about Ian's ego (7)
18 Spread out climbing mountains over year (5)
20 Growths in south-east river rising (5)
21 Offal seems somewhat wrong (5)



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Coffee Time

ACROSS

1 Brawl (6)
5 Surf (the internet) (6)
8 Structure projecting from land over water (4)
9 Crack (8)
10 Rise into the air and stay there (8)
11 Decorate again (4)
12 Notched (6)
15 Happening every 365 days (6)
17 Employs (4)
19 Going-away parties (4-4)
22 Pool formed by damming a stream to turn a wheel (8)
23 Lazy (4)
24 Sock knitted in a lozenge pattern (6)
25 Sifted (6)

DOWN

2 Bring up (5)
3 Supermarket shopping container (7)
4 Capital of Bulgaria (5)
5 Heroism (7)
6 Freshwater carnivorous musteline mammal (5)
7 Austrian layered pastry (7)
13 Dismiss in disgrace (7)
14 Settle (7)
16 Struggle (7)
18 Bevel at a window (5)
20 Knots (5)
21 Untrue (5)

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Find seven types of chairs. Words can run forwards, backwards or diagonally.

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A	R	K	A	E	T	N
M	E	E	D	S	O	I
I	H	A	K	T	O	N
N	N	I	A	C	L	I
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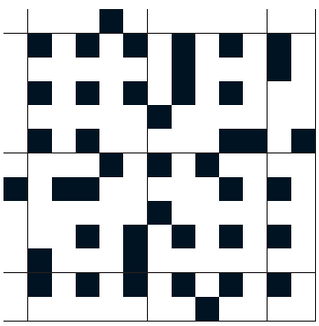
KRISS KROSS

Fit the words into the grid. Solution below right.



3 letters
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Moo
Pin
Urn

4 letters
Able
Apex
Herb
Lake
Pogo
Rail
Sash
Tale

5 letters
Ambit
Carob
Civic
Ennui
Local
Mania
Maxim
Mimic
Storm
Trend

6 letters
Agleam
Carton
Catnip
Infirm
Myriad
Papaya

7 letters
Amnesia
Aviator
Blouson
Expanse
Sniffle
Stamina

8 letters
Shipment
Talented

THE NAME GAME

EACH clue leads to a well-known name. Put the initials or stated letters in the appropriate squares to identify a football manager:

1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9	10

5 & 8	Lead singer and lyricist of Deep Purple
2 & 10	Actor who played Rocky Dennis in the 1985 film Mask
7 & 6	Mr Letwin, former West Dorset MP stripped of the Tory whip in September 2019 (first and fourth letters of name)
3 & 4	Mr Goosen, South African winner of the 2001 and 2004 US Open golf majors (first and third letters of name)
1 & 9	The Italian judge amongst the original Strictly panel

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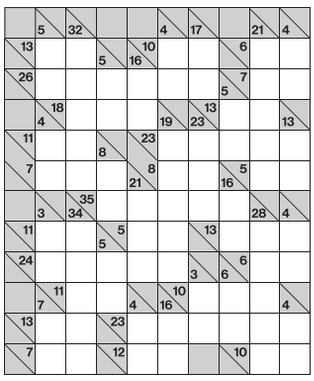

Fill the grid so that each block adds up to the total in the box above or to the left of it. You can only use the digits 1-9 and you must not use the same digit twice in a block. The same digit may occur more than once in a row or column. Solution below right.

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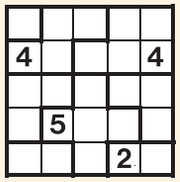

Each cell in an outlined block must contain a digit: a two-cell block contains the digits 1 and 2, a three-cell block contains the digits 1, 2 and 3, and so on. The same digit must not appear in neighbouring cells, not even diagonally. Solution below right.

SUNDIAL

Brilliant: 26. Excellent: 22.
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SEE how many words of four or more letters you can "dial" using the one at the centre in each word. You can make at least one word using all of them. Don't use the letters more than once in any word. No proper names or plurals ending in 's'. Words from Collins Concise Dictionary. Solution tomorrow.

YESTERDAY: Ever, evert, over, overt, revert, rove, rover, trove, veer, vert, vertex, veto, vortex, vote, voter, EXTROVERT.

30-SECOND NUMBERCRUNCH

Starting at the left with the number provided, work your way across the three lines one at a time, applying all the mathematical instructions to your running total. Don't use a calculator – that would be cheating! Write your answer at the end. Aim to complete each round in about 30 seconds. Good luck! Answers on the right.

EASY 85	÷ 5	+ 170	÷ 11	+ 217	÷ 6	- 29	× 9	Half of it	- 36	ANSWER
MEDIUM 132	+ 345	Third of it	- 89	÷ 5	+ 120	Half of it	- 58	× 4	+ 248	ANSWER
HARDER 916	+ 622	50% of it	- 609	3/8 of it	- 54	× 13	+ 777	÷ 9	- 57	ANSWER

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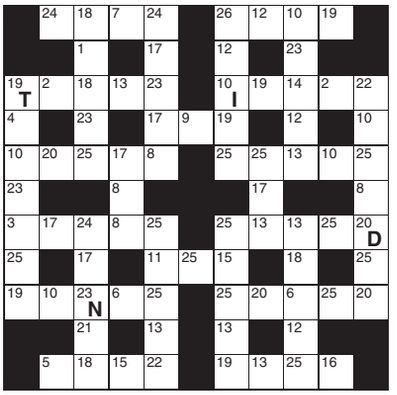

A B C Ø E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 I	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 T	20 D	21	22	23 N	24	25	26

The world's best brain-teaser – The Sun's clueless crossword. Each grid number in our Word Workout game represents a letter. So if you think 4 is the letter E, write E in all the squares with a 4. The whole alphabet is used and we have supplied some letters to start you off. Answers tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

ACROSS: Jade, Mentor, Seaweed, Run, Unsuitable, Extinction, Rue, Grizzly, Doting, Idle.
DOWN: Just, Drawn, End, Throb, Ranked, Sequin, Titbit, Veered, Theft, Oozed, Type, Gun.

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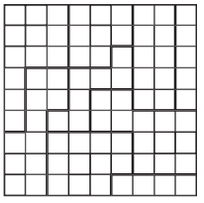
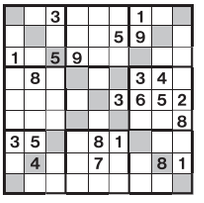
STARS

Put two stars in each row, column and region. Star cells can't touch, even diagonally. Solution below.



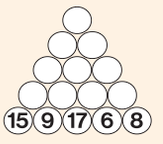
X FACTOR

Normal sudoku rules... but the two main diagonals must also contain the numbers 1-9. Solution below.



ADD UP

If the number in each circle is the sum of the two below it, what is the top number? Solution below.

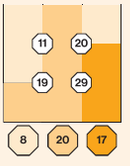


BRAINBUSTER

Can you identify the link between the words in this sequence?

Vermont, statues, Swedish, Arthur's, Africa, sensation, misunderstood

SAKURO



Enter the numbers 1 to 9 in the spaces so that the number in each octagon is equal to the sum of its four surrounding squares. Each coloured area should add up to the colour totals at the bottom. Solution below.

MISSING LINK

Fit ten words into the grid so each connects with the words on either side, eg wishing – well – done. The letters in the shaded squares spell out an emotion. Solution below.

SKI		BAIL
SEA		PELLET
CENTRAL		HOLIDAY
RUN		HYACINTH
TRUE		LIFE
KEEP		DOWN
OXYGEN		PEG
CHILE		CONES
PEAT		STITCH
MIDDLE		BADGE

SET SQUARE

9	−		−		= 1
÷	■	×	■	−	
	+		−		= 7
×	■	÷	■	+	
	÷		+		= 12
= 21		= 16		= 7	

Place digits 1-9 to make the sums work. Each digit can be used only once. Solution below.

Yesterday's solutions

Easy

1	4	7	2	8	5	9	3	6
9	3	8	6	7	1	4	5	2
2	5	6	4	3	9	1	8	7
7	9	3	1	6	8	2	4	5
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Two-speed crossword

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DOWN: 1 Stamp, 2 Moselle, 3 A-base, 4 Sa-nit-y, 5 Rem-orse, 6 (W)inner, 7 Enraged, 12 Bu-colic, 13 Cistern, 15 Harbour, 16 Basalt, 18 Shrub, 20 Pa-in-t, 21 Y-e-ats.

NEWSPAPERS SUPPORT RECYCLING

The recycled paper content of UK newspapers in 2024 was 34.7%

Today's solutions

Sudoku

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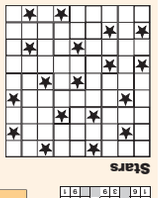

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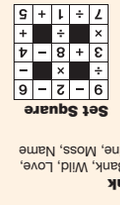

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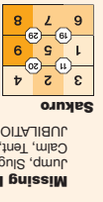

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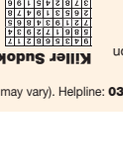

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Killer Sudoku

Brainbuster

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Calls for clues & answers last no longer than 2 minutes (Sundial answers may vary). Helpline: **0333 202 3390** (9am-5.30pm). Service provider: Spoke, W1T 4HD

BIZ RATE FEAR

BRITAIN'S biggest retailers have warned Andy Burnham that another business rates raid could push up prices, threaten jobs and force major stores to close.

ASDA, **M&S**, **TESCO** and other members of the Retail Jobs Alliance said raising rates for properties valued above £500,000 would undermine investment.

The coalition urged ministers to exempt physical shops from higher charges.

BODYCOTE BID

BRITISH metals specialist **BODYCOTE** has agreed to a £1.85billion takeover by US buyout giant **VERITAS CAPITAL**.

Shareholders will receive 940p a share — a 44 per cent premium on its price before the approach by Veritas.

Bodycote, founded as a textile business in 1923, employs 4,000 people across 135 workshops and supplies treatments used in aircraft engines and undersea drills.

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Borrowing at 18yr high

GILT YIELD AT 'CRASH' LEVEL

By JAMES FLANDERS

THE benchmark ten-year gilt yield has climbed to 5.223 per cent — a level not seen since the 2008 crisis as Britain's long-term borrowing costs surged.

The yield on 30-year government bonds, known as gilts, also jumped to 5.89 per cent yesterday morning — the highest since March 1998.

The data piles pressure on Andy Burnham and Chancellor John Healey before next month's Budget.

Gilts are IOUs issued by the Government to borrow money from investors. The yield is the return investors receive for lending.

When yields rise, it costs the Government more to borrow, putting pressure on public finances and forcing tough choices on taxes and spending.

The turmoil came as investors dumped government bonds worldwide amid fears soaring oil prices could reignite inflation and force banks to raise interest rates again.

Britain has spent £109billion on debt interest in 2025-26 already.

Official figures published last month showed a surprise jump in government borrowing in July.

Experts say Britain's national debt has now topped £3trillion for the first time.

The TaxPayers' Alliance said its estimate was based on the pace of borrowing.

Oliver Faizallah, at Raymond James, said: "There is a limitation to how much further bond yields can keep climbing."

5.89% Yield on 30yr bonds — the highest since 1998

FTSE 100 10,789.28 DOWN 34.98pts 0.32%

$1.35 €1.16

SHARE PRICES

21st Cent Fox Inc A	5008	-	-
21st Cent Fox Inc B	3357½	-	-
Aberdeen Group*	245¼	-	6 ¾
Anglo American*	4113	-	156
Assco Br Foods	2040	-	12
AstraZeneca*	11988	+	18
Aviva	733¾	+	3 ¼
BAE Systems	2018	-	26
BP*	543¼	+	28 ¾
BT Group*	203¾	-	1 ¼
Barclays*	485¾	-	10 ¾
Barratt Redrow	311¾	-	6 ¼
Bco Santander SA	1078	-	4
Brit Ameri Tobacco	4169	+	40
British Land	418¾	-	7 ¼
Bunzl	2713	-	79
Burberry Group	1066½	-	17 ½
Compass	2269	+	11
Currys*	150¾	-	1
Diageo	1673	-	36
Drax Group	802	+	27
Experian	2971	-	73
FirstGroup	176¼	-	2 ½
Frasers Group	817½	-	15
GSK*	1875½	+	22
Greggs	1831	-	23
HSBC*	1530¼	+	1 ¾
IMI*	3058	-	54
ITV	70¼	-	0 ¾
Imperial Brands*	2548	+	21
InterContl Hotels*	11544¾	-	437
Intl Consol Airlines	423¼	-	14 ¾
Johnson Matthey	2268	-	8
Kingfisher	310	-	5 ½
Legal&General*	290¼	-	3
Lloyds Banking Gp*	110½	+	0 ½
LSE Grp*	8844	-	156
Man Group*	300¾	-	8 ¼
Marks & Spencer	390¾	-	4
Mitch & Butlers	280½	-	1
Mitie Group	209¾	+	1 ¼
Mobico Group	22¾	-	1
Mothercare	1	+	0
NatWest Group*	681¾	+	2 ½
National Grid	1167½	-	2 ½
News Corp A	2274¼	+	7 ¾
News Corp B	2538	-	3 ¾
Next	15355	-	220
Pennon*	470¾	-	8 ¼
Persimmon	1152½	-	26
Prudential	1003	-	15
Rank Group	101¼	-	2
Reckitt Benckiser*	5368	+	236
Rentokil*	356½	+	10 ¾
Rightmove	497¾	-	12 ¼
Rio Tinto Ltd*	9381¾	+	141 ¾
Rolls-Royce*	1466¼	-	63 ¾
SSE*	2407	-	42
Sainsbury's	337½	+	4
Segro*	953¾	-	7 ¼
Severn Trent	3067	-	79
Shell*	3430	+	85 ½
Smith&New	1067½	+	5
Smiths News	71	+	1 ¼
Standard Chartered*	2163	-	14
Tesco	470½	+	13 ¼
The Sage Grp	1070½	-	21 ½
Unilever*	4805½	+	29 ½
United Utilities	1399	-	32
Vanquis Banking Gp	81½	+	0 ¾
Vesuvius	384¼	-	4 ¼
Vodafone	118¾	+	0 ¼
WH Smith	406¾	-	6

* = ex dividend

ASHLEY EYES BOSS MOVE

MIKE Ashley's FRASERS GROUP has said it plans to take majority control of German fashion house HUGO BOSS.

The SPORTS DIRECT owner confirmed it has built its stake in the luxury business to 47.89 per cent after recent share deals, and still intends to "further increase" its ownership above 50 per cent of overall share capital and voting rights.

Frasers, majority-owned by Ashley, said there is no certainty the objective will be achieved. It also said it is reviewing its supports for the chair of Hugo Boss's supervisory board, Stephan Sturm.

TENNIS

LATEST FROM US OPEN

BOULTER . . . excited

High life for Katie in SoHo

From ROB MAUL

KATIE BOULTER is living the high life in 'energetic' New York — thanks to trendy restaurants, coffee and neighbourhood walks.

In her first Slam since getting married to fellow player Alex de Minaur, the Leicester ace is staying in the well-heeled SoHo area of Lower Manhattan.

Boulter, 30, has posted on Instagram about enjoying time off from practice courts and matches at Flushing Meadows.

The British No 1 — who faces Czech No 7 seed and Wimbledon finalist Karolina Muchova in round two — said: "I'm thriving in SoHo.

"I have never stayed down there before. There's a lot of energy.

"I really like it. The food has been incredible.

"I always stay in Midtown or closer to Central Park. I had been mixing that up for the last five years.

"We have never stayed in SoHo. I have always wanted to.

"Any time I see a great restaurant on social media, it always happens to be in SoHo.

"I was really excited to be there and have felt comfortable, enjoying where we're staying."

In another British-Czech clash, 23-year-old qualifier Toby Samuel is gearing up to face 18th seed Jiri Lehecka in the second round for £215,000 in prize money.

Fearnley's last laugh

JACOB FEARNLEY can now laugh about the miss that almost cost him £37,000.

The Scot is at the US Open as a lucky loser and began with a thrilling 4-6 6-2 4-6 7-5 6-3 win over Spain's Martin Landaluce.

But it came after the British No4 mistimed a smash at the net and did an air-shot on match point.

It left a ball boy in hysterics but Fearnley, 25, rallied to set up a round-two clash with Argentine Tomas Martin Etcheverry.

It means he will bank £140,000 – compared to £103,000 for a last-128 spot — and he admits he got away with one.

Fearnley said: "It made things interesting and the ball kid was laughing too . . . thanks mate!

"I spoke to a couple of players in the locker room and it happens more than you think.

"But there's no excuse, I won't do it again. It's up there with my worst shots."

HEADLINES, BASELINES

From ROB MAUL in New York

START spreading the news – Naomi Osaka is not leaving today.

The Japanese tennis star made her usual fashionable entrance before her 7-6 7-6 first-round win over Russian Anastasia Zakharova.

Two-time US Open champion Osaka emerged into the Arthur Ashe Stadium wearing a long, white skirt and a grey hooded robe that featured newspaper clippings about her.

Osaka, who had cornrows in her hair *(right)* in honour of basketball Hall of Famer Allen Iverson, could write more headlines if she wins a third US Open crown.

She takes on Katerina Siniakova in the second round.

SERENA LOVIN' HER SISTER ACT

SERENA WILLIAMS has reunited with sister Venus in the US Open women's doubles — thanks to one of her daughters.

The American siblings have been handed a wildcard for Flushing Meadows, where they won together in 1999 and 2009.

Serena *(left)*, 44, planned to play with Venus, 46, at Wimbledon this summer until she suffered a knee injury.

Now, Serena is ready to team up again following a chat with elder daughter Alexis Olympia, nine.

The 23-time Grand Slam champ revealed: "I asked, 'Who should I play with?' and she said, 'Auntie Venus'. When she talks, you listen!"

New balls please

CALL TO HELP CROCKS

TENNIS is facing calls to limit the number of new balls used on the year-long circuit to prevent a glut of top-name injuries.

From ROB MAUL

There have been an unlucky **THIRTEEN** withdrawals from the men's singles draw of the US Open in New York.

This figure includes two-time Wimbledon champion and world No1 Jannik Sinner (knee), Brazilian talent Joao Fonseca (abdominal muscle) and former Flushing Meadows finalist Casper Ruud (back).

Elsewhere, Britain's Jack Draper is having an injury-hit year and has pulled out of four successive Slams due to an arm problem.

The demands on the players are getting greater and the matches are becoming more physical and intense.

And according to Marion Bartoli – the 2013 Wimbledon ladies' champion – the variety of balls on courts are the root cause behind the many crocked absentees.

Different manufacturers are used throughout the year, which means players have to adjust to what they are hitting.

Carlos Alcaraz *(above)* played in the first round on Monday but had been out since April 14 due to a wrist problem.

Frenchwoman Bartoli *(right)* said on Sky Sports: "The problem is the surfaces are getting slower and slower but the balls are extremely heavy.

"The first time I hit with Harriet (Dart), she came back with balls from the Australian Open.

"And they were so heavy that genuinely after 30 minutes I felt my arm was about to fall off my body.

"Now, of course, I'm 41 and retired but I can still remember how the balls felt back in the day.

"To me, that went to the extreme side of it.

"I understand the ATP and the WTA want to make it more fun and attractive, they want to have longer rallies, they don't want to have sort of a serving contest.

"But you have to take into consideration the health of the players because without players, you have no tour.

"So it has to come back, for me, in a healthier option when one has to give.

"Whether they make the surface faster or they make the ball lighter, but one has to come back to what it was before.

"Because at some point, if we keep losing Sinner, Alcaraz and the rest of the field, we won't have much to talk about.

"You can say it's relentless, there's a lot of tournaments, of course, but you don't come up with a solution.

"Don't come with another problem, just come with a solution for the players."

Four-time SW19 semi-finalist Tim Henman, 51, said: "Something's got to give. I know that both tours have worked very hard to be consistent with the ball on each surface.

"The balls vary massively from a Wilson ball here at the US Open to a Slazenger ball at Wimbledon to the Dunlop that's used in Australia. They're very, very different.

"And when you're changing those balls from week to week then it does affect your wrist and your elbow and your shoulder, that's going to be inevitable."

Serena Williams' former coach Patrick Mouratoglou, 56, added: "There are many more injuries and this year particularly, the two major primes are the change of balls.

"And the bodies have to adapt not only to the surfaces and weather conditions but also now to the balls.

"Some are heavier, some are softer. I think this is harming the bodies.

"The surfaces are a lot slower than 20 years ago. It pushes the players to play long rallies.

"The new generation are hitting the ball extremely hard – and most of them are injured."

However, the ATP say injuries "are rarely attributable to a single factor" and that "every case has its own context".

ITAUMA . . . defeat

FURY

From Back Page

NYC, and what a venue. What a weekend for the lads on the ps in NYC.**

"Iconic! Not long now guys."

AJ's contract states the battle of the British heavyweight icons MUST take place in the UK — so promoter Eddie Hearn has been negotiating for his deal to be altered.

Despite Fury's social-media claim, the fight is not yet officially agreed.

Hearn revealed their contract revisions regarding the change to a US venue have been received by the Saudis — and is now awaiting a response.

He said in Dublin: "We will need to make a decision this week.

"We don't want to do the fight in the US. But if they really want it in the US, these are our terms."

Fury, 38, is coming off a routine win over Mariusz Wach, 46, in July.

Joshua, 36, knocked out Kristian Prenga, 35, one day later — but did not receive his full purse.

It threatened to hold up talks on the Fury fight but Hearn has now confirmed AJ has been paid in full.

Meanwhile, Fury claims he told anyone who would listen that Moses Itauma's fight with Filip Hrgovic came too early.

Brit Itauma, 21, lost his undefeated record in nine rounds at London's O2 Arena against the Croatian on Saturday night.

Fury said: "I said to everybody who'd listen, 't's too soon'.

"When you're trying to build a superstar, they put them in early — and they made a mistake.

"It could cost Moses a $100million career."

Williams' worldies

By GARY CARTER

GEORGE WILLIAMS and England's players are being drilled into what it takes to break their Rugby League World Cup hoodoo.

New boss Brian McDermott admits his side must find something else if they are to sink the mighty Australians Down Under this autumn — having three times finished runner-up to the old enemy.

Skipper Williams says Gold Coast Titans chief McDermott — who only has an England contract until the end of the finals — has held around ten Zoom calls with his squad.

Stand-off Williams, 31, who is just back from neck surgery, said: "We've been building that relationship, talking about rugby life, all kinds of things.

"He has told us all how he wants us to approach matches at the World Cup.

"There's been a lot of preparation that's gone on behind the scenes.

"The Zooms are getting hammered!"

CRICKET

BASH CASH SMASH

STOKES SCORES BIG!

Ben's £265k Adelaide deal

NET GAIN . . . Ben Stokes will benefit from Big Bash League's new salary rules

BEN STOKES has become the most expensive player in Big Bash history after signing a deal with Adelaide Strikers worth £265,000.

By JOHN ETHERIDGE

Strikers have seen off opposition from Sydney Sixers and Melbourne Renegades to sign the former England captain.

Stokes – who announced his retirement from international cricket in June – is available for Strikers for the whole six-week Big Bash campaign in December and January.

He is cashing in under new rules confirmed last week that allow Big Bash teams greater freedom over how they spend money.

The previous maximum salary for Big Bash players under the old draft system was £220,000.

Stokes, 35, said: "I'm really excited to be joining the Adelaide Strikers for BBL16.

"I've always enjoyed playing in Australia and when the opportunity came to join the Strikers, it was one I couldn't pass up. Adelaide Oval is an incredible place to play cricket, the Big Bash is a fantastic competition and the Strikers have an exciting group.

"So I'm looking forward to meeting the players, getting stuck in and contributing to a successful season.

"I can't wait to get started, create some special memories with the group and give Strikers fans plenty to cheer about."

Stokes will head back to Australia just a year after the 4-1 Ashes defeat last winter, which he says was a major factor in his decision to stop playing for England.

Since quitting during the Third Test against New Zealand, Stokes has been playing County Championship cricket for Durham.

Stokes has not played any short-form cricket since The Hundred in 2024, when he tore his hamstring. He was due to play for MI Cape Town in the SA20 – South Africa's Twenty20 franchise tournament – in early 2025 but was forced to withdraw injured.

He played for Renegades for one season in the Big Bash *(below)* in 2015 and has also played for three teams in the Indian Premier League.

Strikers are coached by Tim Paine, Aussie captain for Stokes' match-winning innings of 135 not out at Headingley in 2019. Paine, who saw a 2-2 draw help Oz retain The Ashes that year, said: "Ben is one of the greatest all-rounders ever. A proven match-winner and he thrives under pressure. We're thrilled to have a player of his ability join us and can't wait to see him put on a show in BBL16."

● **MAIA BOUCHIER** smashed a superb 104 off 98 balls as England women recorded their best-ever ODI run chase – with 282-4 to beat Ireland with more than 11 overs to spare.

NOD . . . seven stars

It's Schu time

FERRARI have created a special one-off livery to pay tribute to team legend Michael Schumacher.

By NICK KING

The SF-26 driven by Lewis Hamilton and Charles Leclerc will sport seven white stars to mark the number of his world crowns.

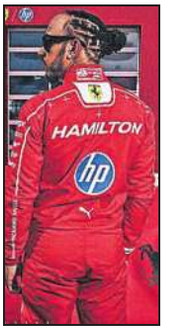
White accents on the engine cover have also been replaced with the outfit's famous red for this week's Italian Grand Prix in Monza.

Schuey joined the Scuderia 30 years ago, claiming five world titles and five Italian GP wins for the team.

Hamilton and Leclerc's race overalls will feature Schumacher's personal logo and the seven stars.

Ferrari said the wide-ranging tributes are inspired by the German's "impact on the racing world" and "his enduring mindset".

The 57-year-old quit F1 in 2012 and has not been seen in public since suffering a head injury skiing in 2013.



TRIBUTE . . . Hamilton

Yize surprise

WU YIZE was dumped out of the British Open in his second match in the UK since becoming world snooker champion.

By ROB MAUL

China's Crucible King, 22, lost 4-1 to world No 8 Kyren Wilson in round two of the 'FA Cup of Snooker' in Cheltenham.

In a low-scoring battle, Wilson scored breaks of just 56 and 69 as he moved into the third round.

Apart from a run to the Shanghai Masters semi-finals, it has been an underwhelming start to the new campaign as world No 3 Wu adjusts to life as the top dog.

There was more joy for a jetlagged Chang Bingyu, the newly-crowned Wuhan Open champion, who was a 4-1 winner over Chatchapong Nasa from Thailand.

Just three days after beating Zhao Xintong in China, Chang got to Gloucestershire in time for the first major event in Britain this season.

CHAMPIONSHIP LAST NIGHT'S

MUK IN!

Divine help for the Hammers

By JUSTIN ALLEN

AMANDA STAVELEY watched local kid Divine Mukasa light up the East End as West Ham finally got their season up and running.

The former Newcastle co-owner and powerbroker was in the VIP seats with husband Mehrdad Ghodoussi as the pair bid to buy a major stake in the club.

And Staveley was seen to give a fist pump as Mukasa, 19, scored a brilliant 33rd-minute opener against Wolves, his first of two goals as the Hammers finally picked up their first league win.

The ex-West Ham academy boy, born and bred in Newham, was pinched by Manchester City in 2023.

But he has returned for a season loan at his old stamping ground and showed exactly why there are such huge hopes for him at the Etihad.

Mukasa's 25-yard wonder goal was followed by a deflected effort eight minutes after the break.

Hammers boss Nuno Espirito Santo said: "Mukasa's first goal was well taken. He takes up great positions and we clearly needed his energy tonight.

"He's a young player and we must be patient with him.

"We needed this win tonight so I'm relieved and happy for that. We showed how we're trying to grow. We made mistakes that we need to correct but there were many positive attacking actions and plenty to build on."

Jarrod Bowen had doubled the hosts' lead with a 42nd-minute penalty before Marshall Munetsi pulled one back just before the half-time whistle.

Konstantinos Mavropanos slammed a fourth in off the bar after 64 minutes.

However, the Greek defender put past his own keeper five minutes later to give Wolves hope – but the Hammers held firm this time.

Staveley and her husband are bidding to buy the 25 per cent stake in the club held by Vanessa Gold, the daughter of late co-owner David Gold. The other stakeholders have until tomorrow to take up their first-refusal rights to match Staveley's offer and nab that stock.

The boardroom rumblings have been an unwelcome distraction in the wake of relegation and Nuno's rebuild job.

Hammers paraded their deadline-day loan signing, Nottingham Forest's Brazilian centre-half Morato *(above)*, before kick-off.

Wolves dominated early on and Irons keeper Mads Hermansen was lucky to get away with an awful clearance that smashed into Wanderers striker Mateus Mane – but the ball looped wide.

Then Kyle Walker-Peters managed to block a good effort from Mane.

Wolves were bossing the game but, out of the blue, West Ham moved in front.

Mukasa picked the ball up seven yards outside the box and hammered a right-foot shot off the underside of the bar – giving Jose Sa no chance.

The Irons were awarded a penalty five minutes before the break. Joel Piroe was hauled down by Andre — and Bowen stepped up to slot home.

Yet Wolves pulled themselves back into the game after cashing in on some awful defending as Munetsi raced through to fire home into the corner.

Eight minutes into the second half, Mukasa struck again.

On the right of the box, he worked some space before unleashing a effort that took a deflection to loop over Sa.

Mavropanos saw a thumping header crash back off the woodwork before thundering in the rebound.

The visitors clawed another back when Mavropanos turned a cross into his own net under pressure from Jordan James.

Wolves boss Cesar Peixoto said: "We didn't take our chances. Their third goal was lucky and they were clinical when they had their chances.

"This was an unfair result for us and I still have a positive feeling for the season."

West Ham.....4
Wolves.....2

MATCH STATS

WEST HAM		WOLVES
12	SHOTS	17
6	SHOTS ON TARGET	3
43%	POSSESSION	57%
393	PASSES	514
337	COMPLETED PASSES	451
29	TOUCHES IN OPP BOX	31
6	CORNERS	7
9	FOULS CONCEDED	9
2/0	YELLOW/RED CARDS	1/0
MATCH TIME: 96m 24s		
BALL IN PLAY: 58m 10s		

HAMMER BLOW . . . Divine Mukasa smashes home his side's opener

IDAH . . . ice cool finish

Swans flying to summit

Swansea.....2
Watford.....0

By ROB COLE

SWANSEA went top with a third win from their first four games.

Vitor Matos' new look side bossed Watford — and did not even start last term's Championship top scorer Zan Vipotnik.

He came on after 67 minutes but by then the damage had been done.

Ji-sung Eom starred in a first-half performance that had Hornets chasing shadows as the hosts fired in ten shots in the opening 45 minutes.

Eom struck first in the ninth minute with Swans' first home goal of the season when he tapped in an Adam Idah ball to complete a flowing move.

Idah bagged the second 20 minutes later after Eom had threaded through a ball that allowed him to beat keeper Federico Ravaglia one-on-one.

The visitors pressed higher and harder in the second half and enjoyed more possession but were never able to create any clear-cut chances.

One full length save from Ravaglia at least stopped Melker Widell from adding a third as the home side continued to press forward.

Charlton — who started the day at the summit — go to West Brom tonight, but this was perfect preparation for Matos' men ahead of Saturday night's Welsh derby against deadline day big spenders Wrexham.

Pres self-destruct

Preston.....1
Bristol City.....3

BRISTOL CITY kept up their impressive start to the season — and heaped pressure on North End.

The visitors led through Scott Twine's fourth-minute goal after Lorent Tolaj set him up.

Caleb Wiley equalised early in the second half for rock-bottom Preston with a piledriver from outside the box.

But Lisav Eissat headed home for the Robins and Dom Ballard rounded Daniel Iversen to seal the win on 86 minutes.

It meant the hosts have lost four Championship games on the spin.

DONOVAN . . . hero

Late star Romelle

Sheff Utd.....3
Bolton.....2

ROMELLE DONOVAN lifted Sheffield United with a late winner after the loss of last season's player of the year Callum O'Hare.

The winger fired home in the 93rd minute on the day O'Hare moved to Wrexham for £7million.

Xavier Simons hooked Bolton ahead after just 23 seconds, only for Japhet Tanganga to head in Sydie Peck's free-kick three minutes later.

Sam Dalby restored the visitors' lead on 67 minutes but Patrick Bamford stabbed home a leveller seconds later — before Donovan's late winner.

'Braith for impact

Stoke.....1
Norwich.....0

ETHAN GALBRAITH ended Stoke's seven-game league losing streak to drag them off bottom spot.

Potters fans needed cheering up, with Sorba Thomas — last term's player of the season — seemingly set to join Premier League Hull.

And Galbraith cut through the gloom in the 13th minute, rifling a 25-yard deflected drive into the bottom corner.

Stoke keeper Viktor Johansson had to make a string of fine saves and Bosun Lawal cleared a shot off the line — but the hosts held on for a much-needed victory.

Mikkel so Important

Lincoln.....0
Blackburn.....0

LINCOLN will be hoping £4.3million record signing Mikkel Ladefoged, 23, hits the ground running.

The Danish striker had only 17 minutes on debut and promoted Imps are finding life hard in the Championship — even with Rovers playing 21 minutes with ten men after Tom Atcheson's sending-off for a second yellow.

George Wickens got a strong hand to Todd Cantwell's sweet 37th-minute strike for Rovers.

City's best chance saw Dom Jefferies' close-range effort stopped by Aynsley Pears on 54 minutes.

BIG-MATCH ACTION

GRAND SAM . . . Szmodics hails his opener for Derby

Ram bam . . . thank you, Sam

Portsmouth.....0 Derby.....2

By GRAHAM NICKLESS

SAM SZMODICS put Derby on their way to their first league win of the season.

Then supersub Lars-Jorgen Salvesen sealed the points with a second-half cracker.

Szmodics scored in County's 1-0 win at Portsmouth in March.

And the Republic of Ireland star was at it again, squeezing a low shot past Pompey's debut keeper Daniel Bielica on 16 minutes.

Norwegian striker Salvesen broke his eight-month goal duck with a 16-yard thumper just after the hour.

The victory comes after John Eustace's boys did not manage one shot on target at home against Swansea at the weekend.

Portsmouth have not beaten the Rams in 13 league meetings and boss John Mousinho made four changes from the side that went down at Bristol City on Saturday.

He gave new striker Marko Milovanovic his full debut but when the signing from Spain's Almeria burst clear, he shot straight at County defender Craig Forsyth.

After the break, Pompey's Zak Swanson, Abu Kamara and Adrian Segecic went close – but Salvesen's wonderful finish brought the boos raining down on Mousinho's head.

MATCH STATS

PORTSMOUTH		DERBY
21	SHOTS	8
2	SHOTS ON TARGET	5
65%	POSSESSION	35%
499	PASSES	268
420	COMPLETED PASSES	186
29	TOUCHES IN OPP BOX	18
11	CORNERS	2
12	FOULS CONCEDED	15
1/0	YELLOW/RED CARDS	2/0

MATCH TIME: 97m 24s

BALL IN PLAY: 51m 55s

Scorchin August

Birmingham..1 Southampton..1

By GRAHAM HILL

BIRMINGHAM celebrated August – on the first day of September.

Danish forward August Priske headed home his first league goal of the season to earn Chris Davies' side a point and maintain their unbeaten start.

That was after Keven Schlotterbeck opened the scoring for Southampton.

The German defender was signed from Augsburg last week and grabbed his first Saints goal when he headed home just before the break.

And it was his first goal since netting for the Bundesliga side 19 months ago.

But Blues hit back with another headed effort, as Priske levelled the scores ten minutes after the restart.

Both sides had chances to win the game – and there should have been even more goals.

Jay Stansfield was left frustrated as the Blues striker hammered a shot against a post, then headed wide from close range five minutes later.

But Saints striker Cyle Larin should have added to his five-goal tally in all competitions as he saw a couple of opportunities go begging.

Both of these sides were looking for firsts – with Brum eying their opening home victory of the season and Saints aiming to win away in the league.

They went into the game boosted by key wins at the weekend after Saints fired five past Millwall and Birmingham won at Wrexham.

Blues began the night by sealing a move for Canada international winger Liam Millar on a season-long loan from Hull – who watched from the stands.

But their move for Union Saint-Gilloise wideman Mohammed Fuseini ended when he began talks with Derby.

Schlotterbeck was caught out after 13 minutes when his slip let Stansfield in.

Stansfield raced clear but drove his shot against a post.

There was more agony for Stansfield five minutes later when Alex Cochrane robbed Tom Fellows on the left. His cross found the Brum striker in the six-yard box but he headed wide.

Stansfield's frustration was clear to see as he kicked the post that had denied him earlier. Birmingham were on top and Jhon Solis powered forward before firing just wide from the edge of the area.

Saints took the lead ahead of the break. Schlotterbeck met Leo Scienza's corner with a powerful header from inside the six-yard box.

Birmingham almost hit back straight after half-time when Patrick Roberts' low drive was smothered by Saints keeper Daniel Peretz.

But they were level after 55 minutes when Roberts crossed for Priske *(right)* to glance in a header out of Peretz's reach.

Saints went looking for a second and they almost got it on 69 minutes when sub James Ward-Prowse's deflected shot was pushed out by keeper Beadle.

But Larin wasted another clear chance to score from the rebound when he put his effort wide.

Southampton sub Kuryu Matsuki had the ball in the net from an angled drive – but his joy was cut short by an offside flag.

Priske came close to a second when he turned and delivered a shot from the edge of the area, only to see it dip over the bar.

Ward-Prowse's 25-yard free-kick was pushed out by Beadle. James Bree collected the loose ball but hit the side-netting as the spoils were shared.

PRISKE'S HOT SEPT START

SPORTS ROUND-UP: RESULTS & FIXTURES

SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP

BIRMINGHAM (0)	1	SOUTHMPTN (1)	1
Priske 55		Schlotterbeck 45	
		Att: 25,007	
LINCOLN C (0)	0	BLACKBURN (0)	0
		Att: 10,267	
PORTSMOUTH (0)	0	DERBY (1)	2
		Szmodics 16	
		Salvesen 62	
		Att: 20,282	
PRESTON (0)	1	BRISTOL C (1)	3
Wiley 51		Twine 4	
		Eissat 79	
Att: 13,028		Ballard 86	
SHEFF UTD (1)	3	BOLTON (1)	2
Tanganga 4		Simons 1	
Bamford 68		Dalby 67	
Donovan 90		Att: 25,714	
STOKE (1)	1	NORWICH (0)	0
Galbraith 13			
SWANSEA (2)	2	WATFORD (0)	0
Eom 8		Att: 16,195	
Idah 29			
WEST HAM (2)	4	WOLVES (1)	2
Mukasa 33, 53		Munetsi 44	
Bowen 42 (pen)		Mavropanos 69 (og)	
Mavropanos 64			

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swansea	4	3	1	0	7	1	10
Charlton	3	3	0	0	5	2	9
Wolves	4	2	1	1	11	8	7
QPR	3	2	1	0	5	2	7
Bristol City	4	2	1	1	7	6	7
Middlesbro	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
Millwall	3	2	0	1	6	5	6
West Brom	3	2	0	1	6	5	6
Birmingham	4	1	3	0	5	4	6
Sheff Utd	4	1	3	0	5	4	6
West Ham	4	1	2	1	8	7	5
Blackburn	4	1	2	1	5	5	5
Watford	4	1	2	1	4	5	5
Bolton	4	1	1	2	4	5	4
Derby	4	1	1	2	5	7	4
Lincoln City	4	1	1	2	3	5	4
Southampton	4	2	1	1	10	5	3
Cardiff	3	0	3	0	5	5	3
Norwich	4	1	0	3	5	7	3
Portsmouth	4	1	0	3	5	8	3
Stoke	4	1	0	3	4	9	3
Wrexham	3	0	2	1	3	4	2
Burnley	3	0	1	2	4	9	1
Preston	4	0	0	4	3	9	0

(Southampton deducted 4 points)

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE

BRADFORD (0)	1	CAMBRIDGE (0)	2
Pointon 76		KaiKai 58	
		Knight 88	
BROMLEY (0)	0	L ORIENT (1)	5
		Kabia 36, 66	
		Akhamrich 46, 51	
		Dobra 90	
		Att: 5,022	
DONCASTER (1)	1	NOTTS CO (0)	1
Hutchinson 36		Cooper 64	
HUDDRSFLD (0)	3	OXFORD UTD (0)	1
Radulovic 56		O'Donkor 70	
Taylor 74, 77			
LEICESTER (2)	2	PLYMOUTH (0)	0
Alves 45			
Howell 45			
PETERBORO (0)	0	STEVENAGE (0)	0
		Att: 6,565	
WYCOMBE (1)	1	SHEFF WED (2)	2
Woodrow 6		Barry 11	
		Lowe 45 (pen)	
		Att: 6,095	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Huddersfield	4	3	1	0	9	3	10
Sheff Wed	4	3	0	1	11	5	9
Blackpool	3	2	1	0	7	2	7
Cambridge	4	2	1	1	7	6	7
Stockport Cty	3	2	0	1	9	4	6
Leyton Orient	4	2	0	2	9	5	6
Mansfield	3	2	0	1	8	5	6
Notts County	4	1	3	0	6	5	6
Bradford	4	2	0	2	4	4	6
Leicester	4	1	2	1	4	3	5
Barnsley	3	1	1	1	3	2	4
Burton Albion	3	1	1	1	4	4	4
Oxford Utd	3	1	1	1	5	6	4
Luton	3	1	1	1	8	10	4
Plymouth	4	1	1	2	4	6	4
AFC Wimbledn	3	1	1	1	1	3	4
Peterborough	4	1	1	2	2	7	4
Bromley	4	1	1	2	4	13	4
MK Dons	3	0	3	0	3	3	3
Doncaster	4	0	3	1	4	5	3
Stevenage	4	0	3	1	4	5	3
Wycombe	4	0	2	2	4	9	2
Reading	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
Wigan	3	0	0	3	2	6	0

SKY BET LEAGUE TWO

ACCRINGTON (1)	2	GRIMSBY (2)	2
Woods 45 (pen)		Anderson 6 (og)	
Walton 60		Cook 38	
		Att: 1,920	
BRISTOL R (1)	2	COLCHESTER (0)	0
James 27		Att: 7,663	
Harrison 90			
CHELTENHAM (1)	3	YORK (1)	2
Evans 17, 65		Pearce 12	
McCann 86		Malcolm 73	
		Att: 3,928	
CHESTERFLD (1)	1	GILLINGHAM (0)	1
Koroma 22		Hale 58	
		Att: 6,103	
CREWE (0)	2	WALSALL (1)	2
March 50		Pressley 42 (pen), 57	
Hutchinson 90		Att: 4,918	
EXETER (0)	1	BARNET (0)	1
Cole 67		Kanu 60	
		Att: 4,826	
FLEETWOOD (0)	1	OLDHAM (1)	1
Coughlan 88		Drummond 45	
		Att: 3,085	
NORTHAMPTON (1)			1
CRAWLEY TN (0)	1		
Opoku 38		Pereira 67	
		Att: 4,890	
ROCHDALE (2)	3	SHRWSBURY (0)	0
Adeeko 33		Att: 3,241	
Hannant 43			
Smith 80			
SALFORD (0)	2	NEWPORT (0)	1
Allen 83		Biggins 71	
N'Mai 90		Att: 2,151	
SWINDON (1)	3	PORT VALE (1)	1
Drinan 13		Lynch 2	
Middlemas 71		Att: 6,609	
Millard 90			
TRANMERE (1)	2	ROTHERHAM (0)	2
Okoro 16		Nemane 84	
Ince 87		Bradshaw 90 (pen)	
		Att: 6,137	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bristol Rovers	4	3	0	1	11	6	9
Barnet	4	2	2	0	9	5	8
Walsall	4	2	2	0	8	4	8
Crewe	4	2	2	0	4	2	8
Oldham	4	2	1	1	7	3	7
Cheltenham	4	2	1	1	8	7	7
York	4	2	1	1	8	7	7
Colchester	4	2	1	1	5	5	7
Swindon	4	2	1	1	5	5	7
Tranmere	4	1	3	0	7	5	6
Grimsby	4	1	3	0	5	4	6
Fleetwood	4	1	3	0	4	3	6
Rotherham	4	1	2	1	6	6	5
Newport Cty	4	1	1	2	9	9	4
Exeter	4	1	1	2	4	4	4
Chesterfield	4	1	1	2	3	4	4
Crawley Town	4	1	1	2	3	5	4
Northampton	4	0	3	1	2	3	3
Rochdale	4	1	0	3	4	6	3
Salford City	4	1	0	3	3	6	3
Gillingham	4	0	3	1	2	5	3
Shrewsbury	4	1	0	3	2	8	3
Accrington	4	0	2	2	6	9	2
Port Vale	4	0	2	2	2	6	2

ENTERPRISE NATIONAL - FC Halifax 1 Hartlepool 0.

KDM EVOLUTION TROPHY - Stranraer 3 Celtic U21 4.

THE PITCHING IN NORTHERN PREMIER - Leek Town 1 Warrington Town 2.

THE PITCHING IN SOUTHERN PREMIER CENTRAL - Stourbridge 0 Leamington 2.

CRICKET

WOMEN'S FIRST ODI

England v Ireland

Leicester: Ireland 281-5 (50.0 overs; G H Lewis 69, A Hunter 62, R Stokell 54no). England 283-4 (38.1 overs; M E Bouchier 104, S I R Dunkley 73). **England beat Ireland by 6 wickets.**

CYCLING

LA VUELTA: Stage 10 (Alcaraz to Elche de la Sierra, 184.7km) - 1 B Tronchon (Fra) Groupama-FDJ United 4h 7m 41s, 2 M Cort (Den) Uno-X Mobility at same time. **Overall -** 1 M Enric (Spa) Movistar Team 32h 41m 44s, 2 P Roglic (Slo) Red Bull-BORA-hansgrohe +1m 18s, 3 F Gall (Aut) Decathlon CMA CGM Team +1:39, 4 O Onley (GB) Netcompany INEOS Cycling Team +2:20. **Today, stage 11** (Cartagena to Lorca, 153.8km).

SNOOKER

BRITISH OPEN (Cheltenham): **1st Rnd -** J Jones (Wal) bt A McGill (Sco) 4-0; G He (Chn) bt C Gong (Chn) 4-2; J Page (Wal) bt J Robertson (Eng) 4-1; M Joyce (Eng) bt J Brown (Nlrl) 4-0; B Chang (Chn) bt C Nasa (Tha) 4-1; D Jones (Wal) bt Y Liu (Chn) 4-2; H Lyu (Chn) bt G Xiao (Chn) 4-2; A Zoirs (Lat) bt J Thomond (Eng) 4-2; L Highfield (Eng) bt M El Hareedy (Egy) 4-2; K Wilson (Eng) bt Y Wu (Chn) 4-1; A Zhang (Chn) bt C Wakelin (Eng) 4-3; J Lisowski (Eng) bt M Mann (Eng) 4-3; I Chadha (Ind) bt S Hallworth (Eng) 4-2, E Slessor (Eng) bt J Clarke (Wal) 4-1; J Ding (Chn) bt S O'Sullivan (Eng) 4-0.

TENNIS

US OPEN (Flushing Meadows, New York): **Men's Singles 1st rnd -** (9) T Fritz (USA) bt D Blanch (USA) 6-3 6-2 6-4; (5) F Cobolli (Ita) bt F Comesana (Arg) 3-6 2-6 6-3 6-4 6-4.

Women's Singles 1st rnd - E Lys (Ger) bt G Knutson (Cze) 6-3 6-3; (22) M Keys (USA) bt A Korneeva (Rus) 7-5 6-4; A Bondar (Hun) bt L Havlickova (Cze) 6-3 6-3; Y Starodubtseva (Ukr) bt E Seidel (Ger) 6-2 6-2; (2) E Rybakina (Kaz) bt T Frodin (USA) 6-3 6-2.

TODAY'S SPORT

(7.45 unless stated)

SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP

Burnley v Middlesbrough 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Main Event)
Millwall v Wrexham .....
QPR v Cardiff .....
West Brom v Charlton .....

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE

Barnsley v Blackpool .....
Burton Albion v AFC Wimbledon ....
Luton v Stockport County .....
Reading v Mansfield 8.0
Wigan v MK Dons .....

WILLIAM HILL PREMIERSHIP

Celtic v Aberdeen .....
Dundee v St Johnstone .....
Falkirk v Rangers 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Football)
Kilmarnock v St Mirren .....
Motherwell v Dundee Utd .....

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONS LEAGUE QUALIFICATION

Real Sociedad v Chelsea .....

CRICKET

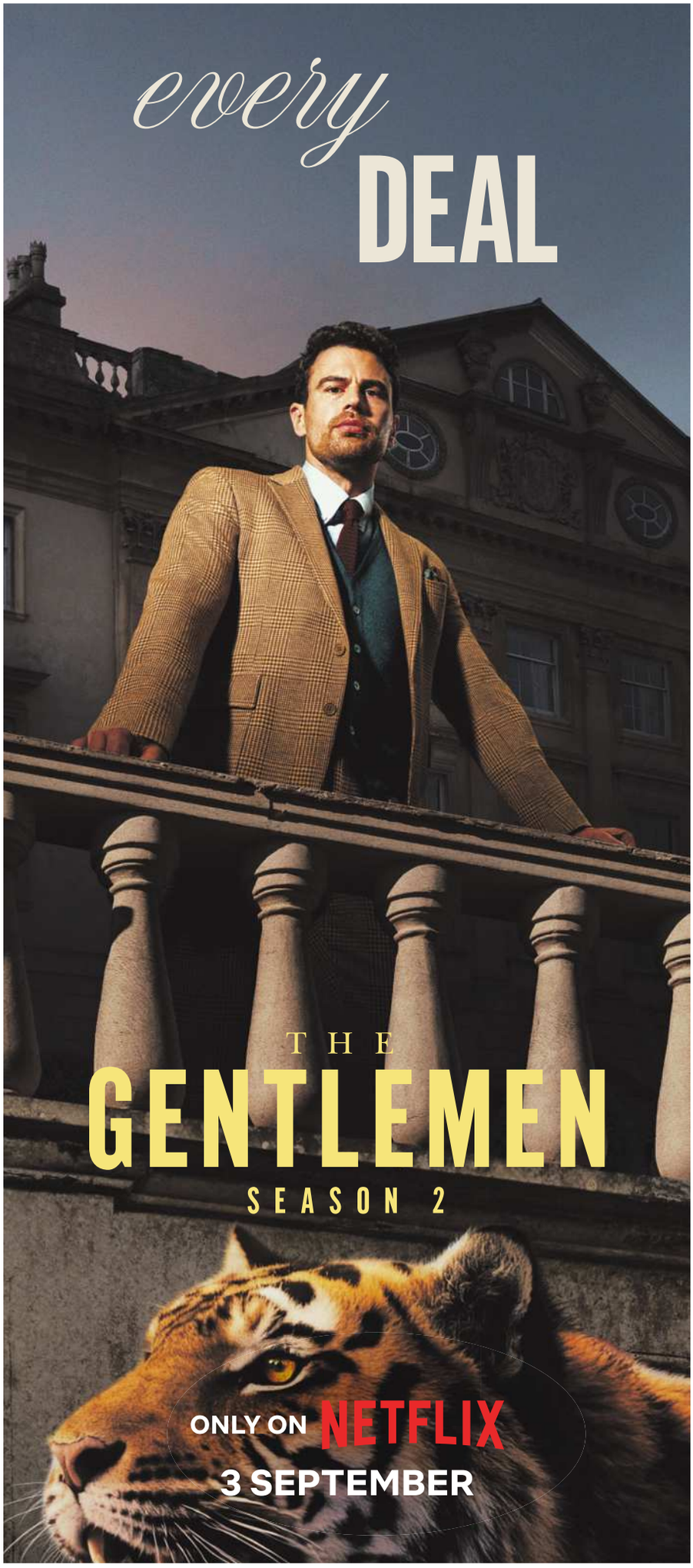
Rothesay County Championship - Division One (day 1 of 4, 10.30am): Essex v Sussex (Chelmsford), Hampshire v Warwickshire (The Rose Bowl), Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire (Trent Bridge), Somerset v Glamorgan (Taunton), Surrey v Yorkshire (The Kia Oval).

	P	W	L	D	Bt	Bl	Pts
Notts	10	4	1	5	16	28	148
Somerset	10	4	2	4	18	30	144
Warwicks	10	3	1	6	15	29	140
Glamorgan	10	3	3	4	14	27	121
Sussex	10	4	3	3	20	24	120
Essex	10	4	4	2	13	26	119
Yorkshire	10	3	3	4	13	24	117
Surrey	10	1	3	6	18	23	105
Leics	10	2	5	3	19	27	102
Hampshire	10	2	5	3	3	27	86

Division Two: Gloucestershire v Derbyshire (Bristol), Kent v Worcestershire (Canterbury), Middlesex v Lancashire (Northwood), Northamptonshire v Durham (Northampton).

CYCLING - Tour of Britain - stage 1 (Lincoln, 182.5km).

TENNIS - US Open (Flushing Meadows).



FAB GAB . . . Jesus unveiled

JESUS PUT HIS

GABRIEL JESUS spoke with former Manchester City team-mates Rodri and Joao Cancelo about joining Barcelona.

By SIMON COLLINGS

The Brazil forward, 29, has moved to the Spanish giants from Arsenal for £8.6million.

Jesus will join forces with his national team-mate Raphinha at the Nou Camp and is reunited with his former City colleagues Cancelo, Rodri and Eric Garcia.

He said: "I spoke to them and they all told me good things, about the club, the dressing room and the staff.

"A week ago, when I received the message that a move to Barcelona could happen, I was happy and had confidence it what could

GUNNERS GET Warri

EZE HAILS NEW STRONG MEN

By CHARLIE WYETT

EBERECHI EZE claims Arsenal's new 'warrior' signings will make the champions even stronger.

Bruno Guimaraes and Ezri Konsa came on for their debuts in Monday's 1-0 win at Aston Villa and could start Sunday's home clash against Chelsea.

Eze, 28, said: "They're special players with so much Premier League experience and bring so much to our team.

"You can see how strong they are. They're warriors and will help us."

Brazilian midfielder Guimaraes, 28, arrived from Newcastle for £75million, while £55m man Konsa was sent on to face his former club.

Centre-back Konsa, 28, replaced Cristhian Mosquera at Villa Park when he suffered a hamstring issue.

Eze will also hope to start against the Blues having impressed as a half-time sub. In their previous game at Villa last term – which Arsenal lost – he was hauled off at half-time.

The England attacker, who had a late cameo in Arsenal's 3-0 opening Prem win against Coventry, said: "It's all part of the game and you can have moments like that which go the other way.

"So it's about staying focused and being as effective as you can be.

"Whether you start or come on, you want to be the best version of yourself.

"We want to continue keeping clean sheets. That gives us a lot of freedom as attackers, so that's good."

KEY MAN . . . Suzuki shone on home debut

SUZUKI: WHY

ZION SUZUKI revealed why he snubbed a move to Manchester United as he looks to finally be a Prem hit.

By CHARLIE WYETT

The Japan international keeper has joined Aston Villa from Parma in a £30million deal.

He made his debut in English football in Monday's 1-0 loss to Arsenal.

Suzuki, 24, could have signed for United in 2023 but opted to join Belgian club Sint-Truiden on a year's loan from Japanese side Urawa Red Diamonds.

Asked about his United snub, Suzuki said: "It was my priority to play games so that is why I made the decision and I played in Belgium

FAITH IN ROD

be done. When I saw it would become a reality, I was very excited.

"I was training hard, with the utmost respect, because I knew that something good would happen."

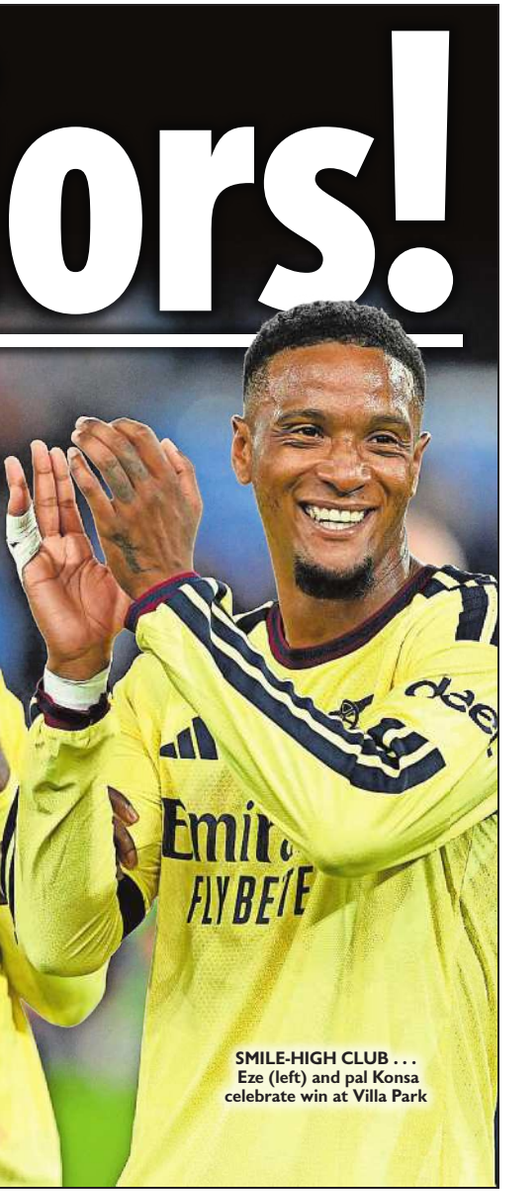
Jesus confirmed he took a pay cut after earning more than £200,000-a-week at Arsenal.

He added: "Not only me, but Barca also made a great effort to make this signing happen. I took a significant pay cut but it's a dream to be here at Barcelona."

Asked about being Barca's second choice after they chased Atletico Madrid's Julian Alvarez, he replied: "It doesn't bother me when they say I'm just another option.

"It offends me when they say I'm a bad guy. It bothers me not to play."

TOUGHER ors!



SMILE-HIGH CLUB . . . Eze (left) and pal Konsa celebrate win at Villa Park

I STALLED UTD

for one year, in Parma for two years. It was very important to play in Serie A for two years and now I am confident.

"I made good steps and now I am here to play for the club."

Suzuki, Japan's No1 at the World Cup, was also close to a summer move to Paris Saint-Germain.

But that collapsed as his agents could not agree commission fees.

He said: "In the end, I am here and playing for Villa. I just wanted to come here for this club."

Suzuki replaced Emi Martinez, 34, who has joined Chelsea for £7.5m.

The Japanese said: "There are so many expectations. It is not easy to play after him but I want to help the team and be like him.

"He's a good person and I learned from him."

McTOMINAY . . . out

Scott set for heart surgery

By DAISY REDHEAD

SCOTT McTOMINAY will have minor heart surgery in the coming days.

The Napoli midfielder, 29, has a 'mild benign arrhythmia' — or irregular heartbeat — according to his Serie A club.

He was taken off after 56 minutes of Sunday's 2-1 defeat by Como.

The op means he will miss new Scotland boss Sebastien Pocognoli's first four games — Nations League clashes with Slovenia (home and away), Switzerland (home) and North Macedonia (away).

McTominay will also be out for Napoli's home Champions League game with Prem champions Arsenal next Wednesday.

Napoli's statement read: "Following the onset of a mild benign arrhythmia, Scott McTominay will undergo corrective surgery in the coming days."

The former Manchester United star told his 3.5million Instagram followers: "See you soon Napoli. I won't take long."

KNIGHT . . . 801 games

Pompey 'Legend' Alan dies

By CHARLIE PITTOCK

PORTSMOUTH legend Alan Knight has died aged 65.

The Fratton Park hero holds the record for the most appearances for a single club by a keeper.

He played 801 games for the club between 1978 and 2000.

Knight — who helped Pompey to the 1992 FA Cup semi-final — had been battling prostate cancer since 2024.

He died surrounded by his close family.

A Portsmouth statement read: "The word legend is often overused in football.

"But the fact that Alan was still known as 'The Legend' at Pompey more than 20 years after hanging up his gloves speaks volumes.

"He will be sadly missed by all of us at the club who knew and loved him.

"Our thoughts are with Alan's wife Heather, his daughters Jade and Rebekah, and all his family."

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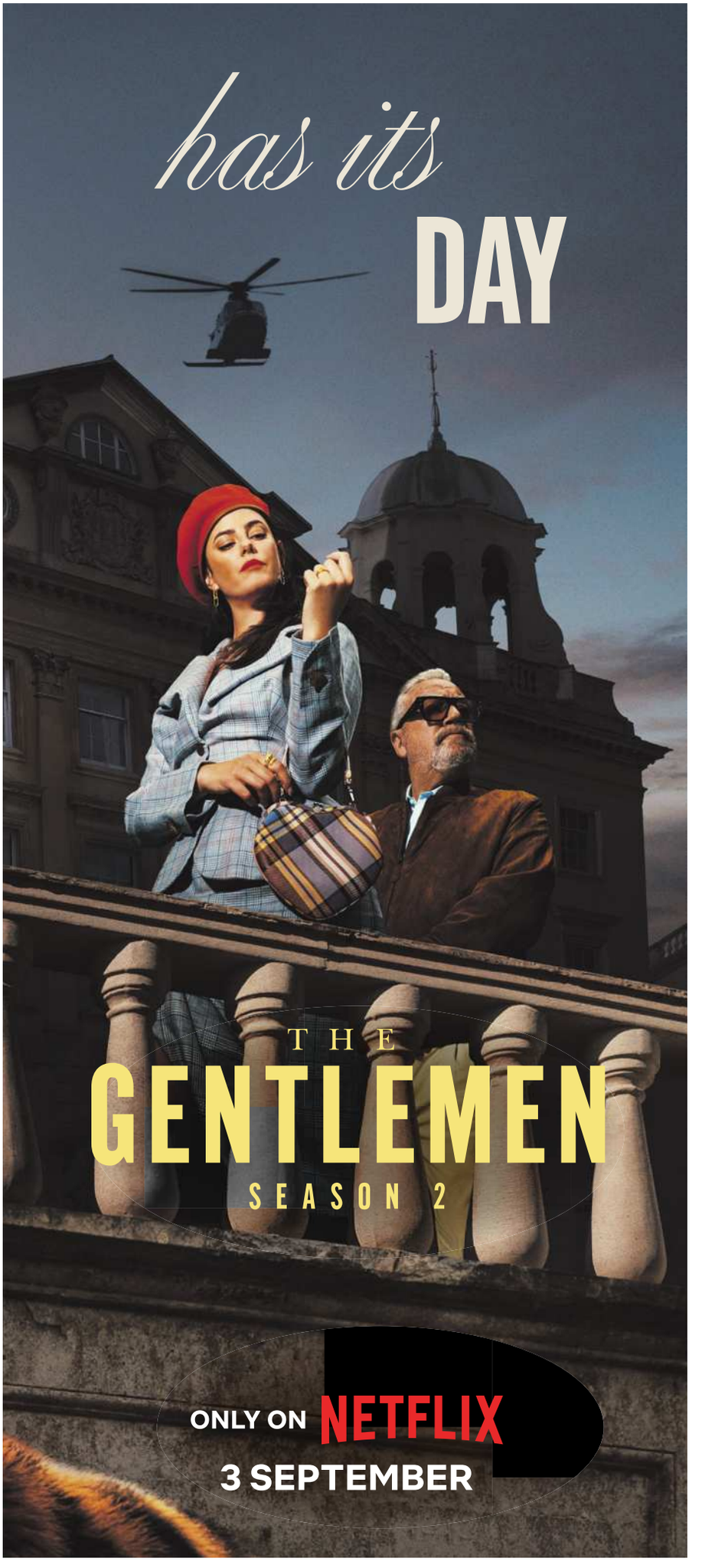


DEADLINE DAY ACTION

The Sun TRANSFERS EXPOSED

(Initial fees only, info correct at time of press)

ALL THE IN & OUTS

ARSENAL

IN (5) - £194.5m: Piero Hincapie (Bayer Leverkusen, £34.5m), Illan Meslier (Leeds, free), Christos Tzolis (Club Brugge, £34m), Bruno Guimaraes (Newcastle, £75m, *left*), Ezri Konsa (Aston Villa, £51m)
OUT (11) - £58.5m: Jakub Kiwior (Porto, £14.7m), Karl Hein (Werder Bremen, £2.6m), Leandro Trossard (Besiktas, £17m), Christian Norgaard (Everton, £7m), Fabio Vieira (Hamburg, £8.6m), Gabriel Jesus (Barcelona, £8.6m), Josh Nichols (Kustosija, free), Alexei Rojas (Penafiel, free), Ethan Nwaneri (Borussia Dortmund, loan), Reiss Nelson (released), Charlie Setford (Stevenage, loan)

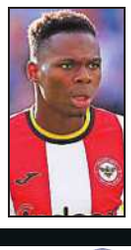
ASTON VILLA

IN (11) - £252.4m: Modou Keba Cisse (LASK, £4.2m), Johan Manzambi (Freiburg, £52m), Joao Gomes (Wolves, £34m), Alejandro Garnacho (Chelsea, loan), Aaron Wan-Bissaka (West Ham, loan), Zion Suzuki (Parma, £25.7m), Matteo Ruggeri (Atletico Madrid, £17m), Leon Goretzka (Bayern Munich, free), Nicolas Jackson (Chelsea, £47.5m), Ibrahim Mbaye (PSG, £47m), Taylor Harwood-Bellis (Southampton, £25m)
OUT (18) - £308.1m+: Sil Swinkels (Sheffield Wednesday, undisc), Louie Barry (Sheffield Wednesday, £800k), Youri Tielemans (Manchester United, £35m), Lewis Dobbin (Southampton, £9m), Andres Garcia (Getafe, loan), Sam Proctor (Shrewsbury, loan), Yeimar Mosquera (Vitoria, undisc), Enzo Barrenechea (Benfica, £10.2m), Morgan Rogers (Chelsea, £117m), Joe Gauci (Lincoln, loan), Evann Guessand (C Palace, loan), Donyell Malen (Roma, £21.6m), Lucas Digne (PSG, £5m), Samuel Iling-Junior (Bolton, loan), Kosta Nedeljkovic (Rangers, loan), Ezri Konsa (Arsenal, £51m), Emiliano Martinez (Chelsea, £7.5m), Ollie Watkins (Al-Hilal, £51m)

BOURNEMOUTH

IN (4) - £51.8m: Alvaro Rodriguez (Elche, £21m), Antonio Silva (Benfica, £21.4m, *left*), Juanlu Sanchez (Sevilla, £9.4m), Michele di Gregorio (Juventus, loan)
OUT (17) - £15m+: Marcos Senesi (Tottenham, free), Michael Dacosta Gonzalez (Moreirense, free), Hamed Traore (Marseille, £7m), Luis Sinisterra (Cruzeiro, £8m), Romain Faivre (Auxerre, loan), Alex Paulsen (Motherwell, loan), Owen Bevan (Dundee, undisc), Alex Jimenez (Fiorentina, loan), Enes Unal (Getafe, free), Archie Harris (Wigan, undisc), Alfie Merrit (Newport, loan), Will Dennis (MK Dons, undisc), Noa Boutin (Inverness CT, free), Ashley Clarke (Woking, free), Koby Mottoh (Moreirense, free), Ben Purches (Sheffield United, free).

BRENTFORD



IN (5) - £101m: Jannik Schuster (RB Salzburg, £12m), Jaidon Anthony (Burnley, £15m), Callum Wilson (West Ham, free), Mamadou Sangare (Lens, £39m, *right*), El Hadji Malick Diouf (West Ham, £35m)
OUT (17) - £13m+: Frank Onyeka (Coventry, £8m), Ethan Brierley (Huddersfield, undisc), Michael Olakigbe (WSG Tirol, loan), Romelle Donovan (Sheffield United, loan), Ben Krauhaus (Falkirk, loan), Ryan Trevitt (Wigan, free), Matthew Cox (Barnet, loan), Jordan Henderson (Chelsea, free), Conor McManus (Gillingham, undisc), Julian Eyestone (Rotherham, loan), Benjamin Arthur (Portsmouth, loan), Yunus Konak (Lincoln, loan), Josh Stephenson (Crewe, loan), Ethan Pinnock (Coventry, £5m), Aidan Stokes (NY Red Bulls, loan), Yerime Ouattara (Blackburn, free), Jayden Meghoma (Portsmouth, loan)

BRIGHTON

IN (10) - £114.3m: Zadok Yohann (AIK Stockholm, £21.5m), Costinha (Olympiakos, £11m), Pascal Struijk (Leeds, £15m), Michael Svoboda (Venezia, £4.3m), Rodrigo Rego (Benfica, £3m), Luka Vuskovic (Tottenham, £46m), Valentin Joseph (Blackburn, free), Promise David (Union S-G, loan), Jaouen Hadjam (Young Boys, £9.5m), Matias Orozco (Deportivo Cali, £3.5m)
OUT (21) - £165.9m+: - Jan Paul van Hecke (Tottenham, £52m), Jacob Slater (Tranmere, free), Yoon Do-young (Magdeburg, loan), Jeremy Sarmiento (Middlesbrough, £3.4m), Brajan Gruda (RB Leipzig, loan), Diego Coppola (Paris FC, £15m), James Beadle (Birmingham, loan), Tommy Watson (Leicester, loan), James Milner (retired), Solly March, Adam Webster (both released), Joel Veltman (West Ham, free), Carl Rushworth (Coventry, £22.5m), Danny Welbeck (Chelsea, £5m), Harry Howell (Leicester, loan), Rodrigo Rego (Castellon, loan), Facundo Buonanotte (Elche, loan), Carlos Baleba (Manchester United, £65m), Eiran Cashin (Derby, loan), Igor Julio (Burnley, £3m), Amario Cozier-Duberry (Middlesbrough, loan)

CHELSEA

IN (12) - £351.4m: Marco Palestra (Atalanta, £47m), Geovany Quenda (Sporting Lisbon, £40m), Morgan Rogers (Aston Villa, £117m), Emmanuel Emegha (Strasbourg, £22m), Maxence Lacroix (Crystal Palace, £52m), Valentin Barco (Strasbourg, £34m), Jordan Henderson (Brentford, free), Danny Welbeck (Brighton, £5m), Denner (Corinthians, £8.5m), Dastan Satpaev (Kairat Almaty, £2.1m), Pep Chavarria (Rayo Vallecano, £16.3m), Emiliano Martinez (Aston Villa, £7.5m)
OUT (19) - £227.2m: Marc Cucurella (Real Madrid, £47.5m), Andrey Santos (Manchester United, £48m), Trevoh Chalobah (Como, £25.7m), Tyrique George (Everton, £18m), Jimmy-Jay Morgan (West Brom, £1.3m), Jesse Derry (Sporting, loan), Alejandro Garnacho (Aston Villa, loan), Benoit Badiashile (Napoli, loan), Dastan Satpaev (Burnley, loan), Omari Kellyman (Strasbourg, £5m), Axel Disasi (Crystal Palace, loan), Liam Delap (Nottingham Forest, £45m), Caleb Wiley (Preston, loan), David Datro Fofana (Servette, £2.1m), Marc Guiu (RB Leipzig, £14.6m), Deivid Washington (Strasbourg, £13m), Dario Essugo (Strasbourg, loan), Robert Sanchez (Como, loan), Mykhailo Mudryk (Tottenham, loan), Tosin Adarabioyo (Tottenham, £7m)

Bahoya Bolt to Yorkshire

By GARY STONEHOUSE

LEEDS were set to snap up the fastest player in Bundesliga history.

Jean-Matteo Bahoya, 21, agreed a season-long loan from Eintracht Frankfurt with an obligation to buy for £25.7million.

The winger *(right)* topped 37kph in the Bundesliga – just slower than Usain Bolt's average speed.

Nice left-back Melvin Bard, 25, joined on loan and Willy Gnonto left for Fiorentina.

NEWS TICKER

LIVERPOOL bagged keeper Lucca Brughmans on a six-year deal that could be worth up to £30million.

But 6ft 7in Brughmans, 18, will stay at Genk on loan this season.

MIDFIELDER Harvey Elliott is being loaned to Valencia for the season.

Elliott, 23, will spend a second straight campaign away from Liverpool after a fruitless spell at Aston Villa last term.

HUGO LARSSON was "honoured" to join Fulham from Eintracht Frankfurt.

The Swedish midfielder, 22, arrives on an initial loan, which will become permanent for £18.3million.

Tigers' five star show

By GARY STONEHOUSE

HULL owner Acun Ilicali was true to his word as he made five signings.

Forward Ilyas Ansah *(below)*, 21, joined from Union Berlin for £12.8million.

Also in were Everton midfielder Tim Iroegbunam, 23, for £13m, £12m right-back Brooke Norton-Cuffy, 22, from Genoa, Roma attacker Robinio Vaz, 19, on loan and Olympiakos midfielder Christos Mouzakitis, 19, for £12.8m.

Matias: I've hit the big Tyne

£51m TOON STRIKER JOY

GEORDIE PHWOAH . . . Fernandez-Pardo poses with Toon shirt

By GARY STONEHOUSE

MATIAS FERNANDEZ-PARDO is excited to start his "wonderful adventure" at Newcastle after a £51.4million switch.

Toon chiefs landed their No1 summer target on deadline day as the forward, 21, left Lille and penned a five-year contract.

The Belgian star is now set to make his debut for Matthias Jaissle's men at home to Bournemouth on Saturday.

Fernandez-Pardo said: "I'm really happy and very proud to be at such a big club.

"I spoke to the head coach and he really showed how much he wanted me.

"I know about the club, I know about the stadium, I know it's a fantastic atmosphere. I can't wait to start this wonderful adventure."

Fernandez-Pardo became Toon's **EIGHTH** summer signing and was new boss Jaissle's top pick to replace Anthony Gordon.

Jaissle said: "Matias is a highly technical player with explosiveness in his game.

"He can score and assist, has courage and also has the ability to take players on. Our fans will enjoy watching him play."

Fernandez-Pardo's arrival gave Newcastle's flop record signing Nick Woltemade the green light to join Juventus on season's loan.

The forward, 24, faded after a bright start in England following his arrival from Stuttgart 12 months ago in a £69m deal.

Serie A giants Juve will pay £3.5m and cover the German's wages, though there is no option or obligation to buy him permanently.

Newcastle snubbed a £15m deadline-day bid for Jacob Murphy, 31, from Nottingham Forest. Jaissle did not want to lose the veteran winger's experience and leadership.

Mal chase plane crazy

SUNDERLAND were finally set to secure the £25.7million signing of Malick Fofana after a dramatic tug-of-war with Crystal Palace.

The Black Cats pounced for the Lyon winger, 21 — only for the Eagles to swoop before he flew to Wearside yesterday.

Fofana had TWO private jets — one bound for Sunderland and the other to London — waiting for him but failed to board either.

Yet after the intervention of Black Cats owner Kyril Louis-Dreyfus, he underwent a medical at a private hospital in Lyon.

FOFANA . . . drama

COVENTRY

IN (11) - £129.5m: Frank Onyeka (Brentford, £8m), Loum Tchaouna (Burnley, £20m), Aurele Amenda (Eintracht Frankfurt, £15.4m), Carl Rushworth (Brighton, £22.5m), Caleb Yirenkyi (Nordsjaelland, £23.1m), Gustavo Hamer (Sheffield United, £6m) Taiwo Awoniyi (Nottm Forest, £9m, *left*), Dan Bentley (Wolves, free), Ethan Pinnock (Brentford, £5m), Stephen Mfuni (Manchester City, loan)
OUT (8) - £4.4m: Jamie Allen (released), Isaac Moore (Walsall, loan), Brad Collins (Bristol City, free), Callum Perry (Cambridge, loan), Norman Bassette (Westerlo, loan), Jahnoah Markelo (Shabab Al-Ahli, £4.4m), Kai Andrews (Oxford, loan), Liam Kitching (Sheffield United, loan)

C PALACE

IN (7) - £32.1m: Oscar Mingueza (Celta Vigo, free), Dwight McNeil (Everton, *left*, swap with Brennan Johnson), Takehiro Tomiyasu (Ajax, free), Evann Guessand (Aston Villa, loan), Anan Khalaili (Union Saint-Gilloise, £21m), Zavier Gozo (Real Salt Lake, £11.1m), Axel Disasi (Chelsea, loan) Honest Anahor (Atalanta, loan)
OUT (13) - £57.5m: Craig Farquhar (Barnet, free), Hindolo Mustapha (Notts County, loan), Nathaniel Clyne (released), Jackson Izquierdo (Crawley, free), Owen Goodman (Dundee, loan), Maxence Lacroix (Chelsea, £52m), Danny Imray (Wrexham, £5m), Brennan Johnson (Everton, swap), Tayo Adaramola (Cercle Brugge, £500k), Rio Cardines (Bristol City, loan), Joe Whitworth (Wigan, free), Kaden Rodney (Muaither, free), Borna Sosa (Cologne, loan)

LEGS 11!

Full house at Villa as they sign a whole new line-up

ASTON VILLA have snapped up an entirely new XI this summer.

By JACK ROSSER

A near-£80million deadline-day double for Ibrahim Mbaye and Taylor Harwood-Bellis means Unai Emery can now select a workable starting side of fresh signings.

The Europa League winners completed a £47m move for 18-year-old Mbaye from Paris Saint-Germain, while Harwood-Bellis was finally confirmed for an initial £25m fee from Southampton.

Villa's deal to sign the one-cap England defender Harwood-Bellis, 24, includes £5m in potential add-ons.

Winger Mbaye said: "I'm happy to join and hope it will be good playing in this team. Aston Villa are a big team, last year they won the Europa League. I feel good and I hope it will be good."

Mbaye is also excited to link up with Senegal team-mate Nicolas Jackson.

The striker also forms part of Villa's brand new XI and Mbaye added: "I have a good connection. He's my brother – we talk usually to each other and I hope to help this team with him."

The Midlanders have lost a number of key figures this summer with Ezri Konsa, Ollie Watkins, Youri Tielemans, Lucas Digne, Morgan Rogers and Emi Martinez all departing.

More than £250m has been spent on 11 new arrivals as manager Emery looks to build a new era at Villa Park.

The two deadline-day captures watched the 1-0 home defeat to champions Arsenal on Monday night from the stands.

Bidding farewell to Southampton, Harwood-Bellis said: "This became my first family in football. I've always been grateful for everything this club have given me.

"There's been some incredible highs to some really tough times, but through it all I've loved playing here.

"I came here as a boy and you've all helped me grow, mature.

"Leaving was never an easy decision – I love this club. But this is a dream and something that I can never turn down."

PEN PALS . . . Mbaye and Harwood-Bellis sign contracts

FIRST... Ahanor signs at Blues

SECOND . . . at Palace on loan

Honest deals...

HONEST AHANOR signed for TWO Premier League clubs on the same day!

The 18-year-old Atalanta defender will move to Chelsea in a deal worth £40million next summer.

But Italian Ahanor joined Crystal Palace on loan for the current campaign — and posed in both kits on deadline day after an arrangement which exploited a Prem loophole.

Chelsea had already loaned Axel Disasi to Palace this summer and Prem rules state clubs can only loan one player to another in the same division.

Ahanor said of Palace: "I'm happy to be here and part of this great family.

"To be at one of the best clubs for young players in the Prem makes me grateful and excited."

Vard no to Wrex

JAMIE VARDY snubbed an offer from Wrexham to keep his options open and could return abroad.

Leicester legend Vardy, 39, spent last season at Cremonese in Italy but is now a free agent.

He has received offers from throughout the EFL, MLS, Serie A and other overseas leagues.

Wrexham did land defender Joe Worrall from Burnley on a two-year contract and midfielder Callum O'Hare, 28, from Sheffield United for £7million on a three-year deal.

Worrall, 29, said: "I'm going to give my all for this badge."

TOTTENHAM

IN (10) - £311.5m: Andy Robertson (Liverpool, free), Jan Paul van Hecke (Brighton, £52m), Marcos Senesi (Bournemouth, free), Martin Dubravka (Burnley, free), Mateus Fernandes (West Ham, £85m), Sandro Tonali (Newcastle, £92.5m), Savio (Manchester City, £75m), Omar Marmoush (Manchester City, loan), Mykhailo Mudryk (Chelsea, loan), Tosin Adarabioyo (Chelsea, £7m)
OUT (21) - £150.5m+: Luka Vuskovic (Brighton, £46m), Matthew Craig (Port Vale, free), Alejo Veliz (Bahia, £7.8m), Yves Bissouma (released), Alfie Devine (Preston, £4.5m), Radu Dragusin (Fiorentina, loan), Yusuf Akhamrich (Leyton Orient, loan), Tynan Thompson (Manchester United, £4m), Will Lankshear (Middlesbrough, £10m), Manor Solomon (West Ham, £7m), Cristian Romero (Atletico Madrid, £34.2m), Ashley Phillips (Middlesbrough, £7m), Djed Spence (Inter Milan, £30m), Mason Melia (Lincoln, loan), Yang Min-hyeok (Westerlo, loan), Guglielmo Vicario (Juventus, loan), Jamie Donley (Luton, loan), Kota Takai (Sint-Tuidense, loan), Mikey Moore (Cologne, loan), Pape Matar Sarr (Juventus, loan), Kevin Danso (Sunderland, loan), Dane Scarlett (Leyton Orient, undisc)

SUNDERLAND

IN (4) - £32.6m: Thomas Meunier (Lille, free, *left*), Dayann Methalie (Toulouse, £24m), Jules Ahoka (Royal Antwerp, £8.6m), Kevin Danso (Tottenham, loan)
OUT (17) - £31.4m+: Zak Johnson (York, £75k), Matty Young (Huddersfield, loan), Dan Neil (Rangers, free), Eliezer Mayenda (Rennes, £21.5m), Dennis Cirkin (QPR, free), Niall Huggins (released), Betrand Traore (released), Milan Aleksic (Partizan Belgrade, loan), Harrison Jones (Peterborough, undisc), Timothee Pembele (Le Havre, undisc), Anthony Patterson (Wrexham, £8m), Nazariy Rusyn (Karpaty Lviv, £600k), Ahmed Abdullahi (Eyupspor, £1.2m), Arthur Masuaku (Konyaspor, free), Leo Hjelde (Mechelen, undisc), Jensen Seelt (Swansea, loan), Luis Semedo (Clermont, undisc)

N FOREST

IN (5) - £111.3m: Xaver Schlager (RB Leipzig, free), Ousmane Diomande (Sporting, £34.3m), Steven Benda (Fulham, free), Liam Delap (Chelsea, £45m, *left*), Daniel Munoz (Crystal Palace, £22m)
OUT (16) - £126.7m+ Elliot Anderson (Man City, £116m), Willy Boly (released), Angus Gunn (San Jose, free), Stefan Ortega (Olympiakos, free), Joe Gardner (Falkirk, undisc), Taiwo Awoniyi (Coventry, £9m), Jota Silva (Olympiakos, loan), Cormac Daly (Hearts, free), Will Thompson (Stoke, free), Omar Richards (Aris, £1.7m), Dilane Bakwa (Lille, loan), Lamin Sillah (Gillingham, loan), Tyler Bindon (Charlton, loan), Josh Powell (Northampton, loan), Zach Abbott (Southampton, loan), Morato (West Ham, loan)

NEWCASTLE

IN (8) - £266.6m: Ewen Jaouen (Reims, £18.5m), Bazoumana Toure (Hoffenheim, £43m), Sean Steur (Ajax, £20m, *right*), Aladji Bamba (Monaco, £30m), Lukas Hornicek (Braga, £25.7m), Amar Dedic (Benfica, £30m), Nico Gonzalez (Manchester City, £48m), Matias Fernandez-Pardo (Lille, £51.4m)
OUT (14) - £228.1m: Anthony Gordon (Barcelona, £60.6m), Kieran Trippier (Wolves, free), Sandro Tonali (Tottenham, £92.5m), Emil Krafth (released), John Ruddy (Wolves, free), Matt Targett (Hull, free), Odysseas Vlachodimos (Sevilla, loan), Harrison Ashby (Luton, loan), Antonio Cordero (Cadiz, loan), Joe White (Crewe, free), Bruno Guimaraes (Arsenal, £75m), Anthony Munda (Swindon, loan), Rory Finneran (Notts County, loan), Nick Woltemade (Juventus, loan)

MAN UTD

IN (5) - £152m: Andrey Santos (Chelsea, £48m), Karl Darlow (Leeds, free), Youri Tielemans (Aston Villa, £35m, *left*), Tynan Thompson (Tottenham, £4m), Carlos Baleba (Brighton, £65m)
OUT (15) - £53.95m+ : Rasmus Hojlund (Napoli, £43.2m), Sonny Aljofree (Rotherham, free), Casemiro (Inter Miami, free), Tyrell Malacia (released), Jadon Sancho (released), Andre Onana (Trabzonspor, loan), Tyler Fredricson (Lausanne, undisc), Altay Bayindir (Celta Vigo, loan), Radek Vitek (Middlesbrough, £7m), Ethan Williams (Peterborough, £750k), Ethan Ennis (Stockport, undisc), Ethan Wheatley (Lincoln, loan), Toby Collyer (West Brom, £3m), Jayce Fitzgerald (Rotherham, loan), Dan Gore (Luton, loan)

MAN CITY

IN (6) - £256.9m: Elliot Anderson (Nottm Forest, £116m), Pierce Charles (Sheffield Wednesday, £3m), Jeremy Monga (Leicester, £10m), Geronimo Rulli (Marseille, £1.7m), Mathys Detourbet (Troyes, £12m), Ayyoub Bouaddi (Lille, £81.4m), Allan (Palmeiras, £32m)
OUT (24) - £260.4m: Bernardo Silva (Real Madrid, free), Nathan Ake (Fenerbahce, £7m), Oliver Whatmuff (Stockport, loan), Isaac Smith (Barnsley, undisc), John Stones (Inter Milan, free), Jahmai Simpson-Pusey (Cologne, £5m), Reigan Heskey (Cologne, £8m), Pierce Charles (QPR, loan), Divin Mubama (Southampton, loan), Sverre Nypan (Lommel, loan), James Trafford (Leeds, £40m), Kalvin Phillips (Sheffield United, loan), Divin Mubama (Southampton, loan), Mathys Detourbet (Monaco, loan), Rodri (Barcelona, £65.4m), Tijjani Reijnders (Al-Qadsiah, £52m), Finley Burns (Wigan, free), Charlie Gray (Wigan, loan), Divine Mukasa (West Ham, loan), Savio (Tottenham, £75m), Nico Gonzalez (Newcastle, £48m), Omar Marmoush (Tottenham, loan), Stephen Mfuni (Coventry, loan), Jaden Heskey (Sheffield Wednesday, loan)

LIVERPOOL

IN (5) - £223.8m: Victor Munoz (Osasuna, £34.5m), Jeremy Jacquet (Rennes, £60m, *left*), Ronald Araujo (Barcelona, loan), Bradley Barcola (PSG, £106m), Lucca Brughmans (Genk, £28.3m)
OUT (16) - £1.7m: Andy Robertson (Tottenham, free), Luca Stephenson (Bolton, £700k), Ibrahima Konate (Real Madrid, free), Mo Salah (Trabzonspor, free), Carter Pinnington (West Brom, free), Rhys Williams (released), Armin Pesci (TSV Hartberg, loan), Amara Nallo (HJK Helsinki, loan), Tommy Pilling (MFK Zemplin Micahlovce, free), Callum Scanlon (Cardiff, loan), Kieran Morrison (Sheffield Wednesday, loan), Calvin Ramsay (St Mirren, loan), Stefan Bajectic (Celta Vigo, £1m), Keyrol Figueroa (Port Vale, loan), Lucca Brughmans (Genk, loan), Harvey Elliott (Valencia, loan)

LEEDS

IN (6) - £85.2m: Harry Wilson (Fulham, free), Tarik Muharemovic (Sassuolo, £34.1m), James Trafford (Man City, £40m, *right*), Nico Elvedi (Borussia Monchengladbach, £6.8m), Michael Zetterer (Frankfurt, £4.3m), Melvin Bard (Nice, loan)
OUT (15) - £23.5m+: Pascal Struijk (Brighton, £15m), Sam Byram (Middlesbrough, free), Illan Meslier (Arsenal, free), Harry Gray (Sheffield Wednesday, loan), Karl Darlow (Manchester United, free), Isaac Schmidt (Young Boys, £2m), Jack Harrison (New England, undisc), Joe Gelhardt (Hull, £6.5m), Charlie Crew (Walsall, loan), Joel Piroe (West Ham, loan), Sebastiaan Bornauw (Hamburg, loan), Lucas Perri (Torino, loan), Sam Chambers (Northampton, loan), Largie Ramazani (Burnley, loan), Wilfried Gnonto (Fiorentina, loan)

IPSWICH

IN (14) - £181.9m: Cedric Kipre (Reims, £2.2m), Chuba Akpom (Ajax, £7m), Emersonn (Toulouse, £24m), Kayne van Oevelen (Volendam, £3.4m), Abdul Fatawu (Leicester, £20m), Issa Diop (Fulham, £8.5m), Daizen Maeda (Celtic, £8m, *left*), Kjell Scherpen (Union S-G, £8.5m), Sasa Lukic (Fulham, £9m), Florentino Luis (Burnley, £16m), Abdoul Ouattara (Strasbourg, £17m), Julio Enciso (Strasbourg, £22m), Exequiel Palacios (Bayer Leverkusen, £19.3m), Zian Flemming (Burnley, £17m)
OUT (10) - £15.5m+: Arijanet Muric (Sassuolo, £6m), Conor Chaplin (Leicester, free), Elkan Baggott (Millwall, £2m), Conor Townsend (West Brom, free), Sam Szmodics (Derby, loan), Wes Burns (Leicester, undisc), Harry Clarke (Preston, £1.5m), George Hirst (Stoke, £6m), Ben Johnson (Stoke, loan), Cameron Humphreys (Huddersfield, loan), Chiedoze Ogbene (Lincoln, loan)

EVERTON

IN (6) - £59.5m: Hayden Hackney (Middlesbrough, £16.5m), Tyrique George (Chelsea, £18m), Merlin Rohl (Freiburg, £18m), Christian Norgaard (Arsenal, £7m), Brennan Johnson (Crystal Palace, swap, *right*), Jack Grealish (Manchester City, loan)
OUT (15) - £88.85m: Isaac Heath (Cambridge, free), Frankie Okoronkwo (Doncaster, free), Seamus Coleman (released), Idrissa Gueye (Al-Diriyah, free), Dwight McNeil (Crystal Palace, swap), Reece Welsh (Bradford, free), Tyler Onyango (Sheff Weds, free), Roman Dixon (Walsall, free), Adam Aznou (Malaga, loan), Joel Catesby (Accrington, loan), Elijah Campbell (MK Dons, loan), Beto (Fiorentina, £15m), Iliman Ndiaye (Manchester City, £60m), Nathan Patterson (Torino, £850k), Tim Iroegbunam (Hull, £13m)

FULHAM

IN (6) - £77.5m: Jonah Kusi-Asare (Bayern Munich, £5.2m), Gonzalo Garcia (Real Madrid, £34m, *right*), Cesar Palacios (Real Madrid, £9m), Shea Charles (Southampton, £26m), Manuel Angel (Real Madrid, £3m), Hugo Larsson (Frankfurt, loan)
OUT (11) - £17.5m+: Raul Jimenez (Wolves, free), Harry Wilson (Leeds, free), Steven Benda (Nottingham Forest, free), Olly Sanderson (Stevenage, undisc), Alfie McNally (York, loan), Issa Diop (Ipswich, £8.5m), Sasa Lukic (Ipswich, £9m), Aaron Loupalo-Bi (Fleetwood, loan), Harvey Araujo (Burton, undisc), Luke Harris (Wigan, loan), Matt Dibley-Dias (Newport, loan)

HULL

IN (17) - £135.2m: Jack Butland (Rangers, £3m), Oscar Zambrano (Maribor, £1.5m), Matt Targett (Newcastle, free), Hidemasa Morita (Sporting, free), Konstantinos Tzolakis (Olympiakios, £20m), Jens Hjerto-Dahl (Tromso, £8m), Elliot Stroud (Mjallby, £2.1m), Lucas Herrington (Colorado Rapids, £10m), Nobel Mendy (Rayo Vallecano, £21.5m), Lucas Gourna-Douath (RB Salzburg, £3m), Joe Gelhardt (Leeds, £4.5m), Mohamed-Ali Cho (Nice, £11m), Ilyas Ansah (Union Berlin, £12.8m), Tim Iroegbunam (Everton, £13m), Brooke Norton-Cuffy (Genoa, £12m), Robinio Vaz (Roma, loan), Christos Mouzakitis (Olympiakos, £12.8m)
OUT (14) - £18.9m+: Kasey Palmer (Luton, £500k), Ivor Pandur (Rangers, £6m), Akin Famewo (Bolton, undisc), Aidon Shehu (Panathinaikos, £2.5m), James Debayo (Swindon, loan), Kyle Joseph (Middlesbrough, £4m), Harvey Cartwright (loan), Mason Burstow (Sheff Weds, loan), Nathan Tinsdale (Crawley, loan), Timothee Lo-Tutala (Colchester, loan), Enis Destan (Konyaspor, undisc), Abu Kamara (Portsmouth, £2.5m), Liam Millar (Birmingham, loan), Cody Drameh (Genoa, £3.4m)

WAIT 'N ZEE . . . Zirkzee has struggled to settle at United

Moyes moves to plan Z after snub

EVERTON last night frantically turned to Manchester United's Joshua Zirkzee — when a £40million bid for Folarin Balogun looked to have collapsed.

By KEN LAWRENCE

USA striker Balogun was set to join Toffees from Monaco after Beto left Merseyside for Fiorentina in a £14.5m deal.

But controversial World Cup star Balogun is understood to have failed a medical, leaving boss David Moyes with just Thierno Barry up front.

Balogun, 25, arrived at lunchtime yesterday with a deal all but done as Beto headed to Italy.

Yet he looked to be heading back to Ligue 1 while Zirkzee was being offered a route out of Old Trafford.

Moyes was ready to use a big chunk of the cash brought in by the £65m sale of Iliman Ndiaye to Manchester City – as his club hoped to bag Zirkzee on loan with an option to buy for around £25m.

Toffees looked certain to borrow Jack Grealish from City again after the winger saw last season's spell under Moyes wrecked by a broken foot he suffered in January.

Everton's long-standing right-back issue appeared to be solved when a £4.2m deal with Lyon for Ainsley Maitland-Niles was agreed, with a bid for Fulham's Kenny Tete stalling.

SERIE SARR . . . midfielder moved from Spurs to Juve on loan

MUDRYK

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speed and creativity, and I want to help in both the offensive and defensive areas. I want to make the fans excited.

"I can see it's a strong squad here with good players, and I'm looking forward to sharing a pitch and special moments with them."

And Italian boss De Zerbi added: "Having worked with Misha (Mudryk) earlier in his career, I know exactly what he can bring to our team.

"He has the quality to change a game with his speed and ability in one-vs-one situations, and is an exciting, attacking talent. I will demand a lot from Misha and it is our job to help him find the best version of himself.

"He can become a very important player for us."

Tosin Adarabioyo, 28, is primed to arrive permanently for £7m plus add-ons as a replacement for Kevin Danso, who joined Sunderland on loan.

Pape Matar Sarr wrote a heartfelt message on Instagram after his loan switch to Juventus.

The Senegal midfielder, whose transfer comes with a £25.7m option to turn the move permanent, said: "Thank you, Tottenham, for all the wonderful years we spent together."

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It will all

FERNANDEZ HASN'T PROVED

ENZO FERNANDEZ has moved for some eye-watering transfer fees — but is the fiery Argentine worth all the fuss?

By JACK ROSSER

The midfielder strolled into Stamford Bridge back in January 2023 for a then-British record £106million.

And he is yet to prove he is worth that, let alone the £125m that Manchester City are set to pay for him.

Fernandez delivered some significant moments in a Chelsea shirt but has also caused them all manner of issues they could have done without.

His goal against Paris Saint-Germain, in the first leg of their Champions League last-16 tie last season, told the full story.

Fernandez pointed to the Club World Cup winners' badge – sealed with a win over the French side in America – after equalising at Parc des Princes.

Chelsea went on to lose 5-2 on the night and 8-2 on aggregate.

City boss Enzo Maresca knows the quality that the ex-Benfica man can bring but before he even met him as Blues manager, he had to wrestle with off-field issues.

Following Argentina's 2024 Copa America triumph, Fernandez then live-streamed celebrations from the team bus.

That showed him and his team-mates singing a derogatory chant aimed at French players of African descent. Chelsea's touring squad that summer – which featured Frenchmen Wesley Fofana, Axel Disasi, Benoit Badiashile, Christopher Nkunku and Malo Gusto – were less than impressed.

Maresca's unveiling press conference as Chelsea chief in California in July 2024 was dominated by tough questions about a player he had yet to work with.

One who, eventually, joined the squad early in Atlanta and – tail between his legs – needed to apologise. It was quite the clean-up job.

Fernandez and Maresca went on to form a close bond, with the Italian's departure on New Year's Day the seed of his discontent. That led to the player's open flirting with Real Madrid and talk of an exit which started in March.

Spain was his preferred destination this summer but once the Spanish giants opted against pursuing a deal, the focus turned to a reunion with Maresca.

Fernandez's push to leave certainly ruffled feathers at Chelsea and should serve as a warning signal to his new employers.

He spent just six months at Benfica after joining in 2022 before a December World Cup accelerated his move to Chelsea.

What is to say that, after 18 months at the Etihad, his eyes do not turn to Madrid again . . . leaving City dealing with a similar saga?

The unsettling work of Fernandez's interviews on international duty and public comments by his agent – former Argentina and PSG star Javier Pastore – set him back at Chelsea.

He was given credit for working hard for the rest of the season but was guilty of countless self-inflicted wounds. Yet they were ones which could have been healed, had he committed to the club.

New boss Xabi Alonso made it clear he wanted the 2022 World Cup winner to stay at Stamford Bridge having spoken to him shortly after his appointment on July 1.

But that stance softened and, after Fernandez was booed by a section of Blues fans, he made a sub appearance in their opening 3-2 Prem win at Fulham and has not been in a squad since.

Chelsea's ill-discipline has been evident for at least the past two seasons.

Before even arriving at Cobham, Alonso identified a need to address the dressing-room culture and clear out some bad apples.

Fernandez played a significant part in the club's poor disciplinary record.

His sending-off in the World Cup final defeat against Spain – the first booking being for dissent – was taken as confirmation that there was a serious temperament problem.

Maresca's ability to calm this firebrand will be the deciding factor in whether City get value for money or not.

ENZ GAME. . . Maresca and Fernandez

VERDICT ON ARGENTINE

Enz in tears

HE'S WORTH THE FUSS – OR £125M

HOT HEAD . . . Fernandez is sent off in the World Cup final after a reckless lunge on Spain's Pau Cubarsi

RED ALERT . . . gutted Fernandez sent off in World Cup final defeat

WIND-UP . . . Argentine celebrates in World Cup win over England

FAREWELL . . . Alonso gave sub Fernandez a runout against Fulham

UNVEILED . . . Iliman Ndiaye Picture: Smart frame/MCFC

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had been around £104m, plus add-ons, but in the end they were satisfied with the deal they agreed.

But the dispute meant the formalities of the switch were still being thrashed out as the 11pm deadline passed last night — before it was confirmed just after 11.30pm.

Chelsea had planned to replace Fernandez with Monaco's Lamine Camara but a £47m deal collapsed at the 11th hour, leaving club chiefs fuming.

Fernandez said goodbye to the Blues ahead of penning a five-year deal at the Etihad.

He said: "Manchester City are the most successful club in England in recent times.

"Every player wants to be part of a club like this because everyone knows how well-run City are.

"I could not be happier to be here and I am ready for the challenge of helping City continue winning trophies. This is a club built for success."

Fernandez will now be reunited with his old Blues boss Enzo Maresca.

The new City chief will hope his old favourite can help fill the gap left by Rodri — who moved to Barcelona last month.

> I've worked my whole life for this opportunity
> – ILIMAN NDIAYE

Along with England star Elliot Anderson and Ayyoub Bouaddi, Maresca has spent around £320m on reshaping his midfield.

On a busy day at the Etihad, director of football Hugo Viana sealed a £65m deal for Iliman Ndiaye.

That was announced at 9pm with the Senegal forward moving from Everton — after Liverpool blocked Cody Gakpo's exit.

Ndiaye declared: "I've worked my whole life for an opportunity like this.

"To be able to write my own chapter in a story that special is the chance of a lifetime — and I'm determined to grab it with both hands.

"It's not always been easy in my career but I always had the belief that I could play for a team challenging for the biggest prizes and now I'm here. It feels so good."

Ndiaye, 26, has penned a five-year deal and will give Maresca more attacking options following the exits of Savio and Omar Marmoush to Spurs.

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FURY: AJ FIGHT 'ON'

TYSON FURY has claimed his blockbuster fight with Anthony Joshua in New York is ON.

Netflix and Saudi's boxing financier Turki Al-Sheikh have pushed for a Stateside bout.

And Fury *(right)* looked to confirm

From JACK FIGG in Dublin

a Big Apple clash by posting a mocked-up poster of him and AJ *(left)* on Instagram.

He wrote: "What a place

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MUDRYK . . . Tottenham deal

Spurs in Mudryk loan deal

By TOM BARCLAY

MYKHAILO MUDRYK last night completed his loan move to Tottenham.

Chelsea winger Mudryk, free to play again following his 20-month drug ban, arrives on a season-long loan with an option to buy for £75MILLION.

Tottenham chief Roberto De Zerbi knows the 25-year-old from their time at Shakhtar Donetsk and claimed back in 2022 that the ace could one day win the Ballon d'Or.

Mudryk said: "It's a great feeling. I can't wait to start training and playing for the club, and I'm so excited to be reunited with Roberto De Zerbi.

"I'm a player who brings

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CHEEKY 'NANDEZ

Enzo heads to City for £125m but Chelsea's demands almost KO British-record switch

MONEY OLD GAME . . . Fernandez is off to rivals City

ENZO FERNANDEZ was last night on the verge of a British-record-equalling £125MILLION Manchester City move — just hours after they threatened to pull the plug.

Talks between the Etihad giants and Chelsea gathered pace on Monday evening but almost ground to a halt yesterday lunchtime.

The Blues were demanding a cheeky £135m for the Argentina international midfielder — a fee City were not prepared to pay.

Chelsea already

By MARTIN BLACKBURN

tested the patience of their Prem rivals by setting an arbitrary deadline of 5pm on August 14 for Fernandez offers — and told suitors they wanted £120m.

So when City chiefs learned the price was £15m more than their valuation yesterday, they were ready to walk away.

Eventually, the Stamford Bridge hierarchy agreed to drop the price — meaning it equalled the fee Liverpool paid for Alexander Isak 12 months ago.

Isak moved to Anfield from Newcastle for an initial £125m, with £5m in add-ons. City's original offer

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Frankie's Leger KO

CROCKED Frankie Dettori will not be making a return to the saddle for the Leger Legends race at Doncaster on Friday week.

The Italian (*below*) was due to make his first race-riding appearance in Britain since bowing out in style aboard King Of Steel on Champions Day in 2023.

However, shortly after the 55-year-old had signed up for the annual fundraiser, he was involved in a serious car accident near Newmarket — in which he broke several ribs and a thumb.

By PETER GOMM

Frankie said: "I'm really sorry I won't be riding in the Legends race. I tried, I'm not fit enough.

"I still feel the effects of the crash I had at the beginning of July, but I'll be there to support my fellow jockeys participating in the race for the Injured Jockeys Fund."

GALOPIN GREAT DEAD

TWO-TIME Gold Cup winner Galopin Des Champs has been put down after suffering an injury at home in his field. The 12-time Grade 1 hero was only officially retired last week. Ruby Walsh said: "He was just a fabulous horse and has left us with lots of broken hearts, he will be sadly missed."

Clive could Pull out

CLIVE COX is keeping a close eye on the weather ahead of the Sprint Cup at Haydock on Saturday.

The Lambourn handler is keen to run impressive Hungerford Stakes winner Coppull in the big Group One.

But if conditions are too soft, his star will instead head for next week's Park Stakes at Doncaster.

Cox said: "It was a great display in the Hungerford, and we are thrilled with his well being.

By GRAHAM CLARK

"We would love to go to Haydock as he is definitely a Group 1 horse, but we are on a watching brief with the weather as we might wait for Doncaster."

Cox could still be represented in the £400,000 contest by James's Delight. He added: "He ran really well in Ireland and any rain that falls is a plus."

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SEA YOU DOWN UNDER

WINE TIME . . . Harry Charlton (*below*) plotting ambitious Melbourne Cup plan for his Newbury winner Wine Dark Sea

By GRAHAM CLARK

HARRY CHARLTON is eyeing a Cup double in Australia for exciting stayer Wine Dark Sea.

His gelding is one of 101 entries for this year's Melbourne Cup which takes place at Flemington on November 3.

Also on the list is Nicky Henderson's 2023 Champion Hurdle winner and September Stakes-bound **Constitution Hill**, this year's Derby hero **Christmas Day**, and **ELEVEN** horses from the yard of two-time Cup winning trainer Joseph O'Brien.

However, before Wine Dark Sea takes up a potential outing in the 'race that stops a nation', all roads first lead to the Caulfield Cup on October 17.

Charlton said: "Wine Dark Sea will go into quarantine next Friday for two weeks and then he will go to Australia where he

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Harry's ready to take Oz by storm with Wine

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2.15 Dalamara
2.45 Yordan
3.15 Beattie Is Back
3.45 Profitability
4.15 Rising Force
4.45 Lady Bouquet
5.15 Book Of Life
5.45 Barleybrown

TOM PEPPER

1.45 Koko Blue
2.15 Gilleangirl
2.45 Brash
3.15 Orne
3.45 Claret Time
4.15 Rising Force
4.45 Lady Bouquet
5.15 Hear The Drums
5.45 Barleybrown

■TIC-TAC: Left-handed all-weather Tapeta course with a 3f run-in. Races up to a mile run on the straight course. ■DRAW: High numbers have a slight advantage over 5f. ■LEADING TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS (2021-2026): R & P Fahey 73-678, I Jardine 66-632, D O'Meara 64-457, K Ryan 50-311. THIS SEASON: I Jardine 11, B Haslam 11, D O'Meara 9. ■TOP JOCKEYS WITH RIDES (2021-2026): J Hart 95-729, P J McDonald 67-423, A Mullen 56-663, T Eaves 50-554. THIS SEASON: J Hart 13, A Mullen 9, Conor Whiteley 7. ■LONGEST TRAVELLER: Secret Rival (3.45). Round trip of 568 miles. ■FIRST RUN SINCE WIND OP: The Floors Munky (5.45). ■LIVE ON SKY SPORTS RACING

1.45 BORDER MINSTREL PUB APPRENTICE HANDICAP (Class 6); winner £3,245; 1m 2f. (8 runners)

1 (1) 8-67808 **IT'S A LOVE THING 125 (CD)** S England 8-9-9 **Cian Horgan 75**
2 (5) 64-8549 **RAVENSCRAIG CASTLE 23 (B)** I Jardine 8-9-9 **Cara Tuke (5) 89**
3 (2) -270716 **LOVE YOU MORE 17 (H)** J Parr 4-9-7 **Harry Vigors 92**
4 (3) 9524445 **KAMEEL 24 (V;C)** J Macey 4-9-7 **Jack Dace 93**
5 (8) 30-3323 **KOKO BLUE 29 (BF)** T Clover 4-9-6 **Molly Keegan-Price (5) 98**
6 (6) 6303723 **MILLBUIE 23 (B)** E Whillans 5-9-3 **Rhys Elliott ●99**
7 (7) 5/987-4 **GAME MANAGEMENT 23 (C)** L Quinlan 5-9-3 **Jake Dickson (3) 87**
8 (4) 6-60935 **BRIDGEFOOT RAMBLER 23 (B)** S Hanlon 4-9-2 **Conor Whiteley 88**

BETTING: 9-4 Koko Blue, 10-3 Millbuie, 5 Game Management, 6 Bridgefoot Rambler, 15-2 Love You More, 10 Kameel, 12 Ravenscraig Castle, 50 It's A Love Thing
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

2.15 MINI GOLF AT HIGH GOSFORTH PARK HANDICAP (6); 3-y-o; winner £3,245; 1m 2f. (12 runners)

1 (3) -424641 **DALAMARA 8 (C)** B Haslam 10-0(6ex) **Andrew Mullen ●99**
2 (7) 6902-9 **NEW OBJECTIVE 109** K Frost 9-9 **William Pyle 90**
3 (8) 6-55669 **GIFTS DIFFERING 27** R Burdon 9-9 **Jason Hart 87**
4 (4) 9-05958 **RUGBY UNION 23** G Tutty 9-8 **Joanna Mason 85**
5 (10) 54-9906 **PAROLE OFFICER 23** E Whillans 9-7 **Barry McHugh 89**
6 (6) 5-874 **GILLEANGIRL 27** I Furtado 9-7 **Kieran Shoemark 92**
7 (1) 8524136 **BALDOSA 37 (BF,D)** N Tinkler 9-4 **Faye McManoman 98**
8 (5) 08787 **CLOVA ROYALE 42 (P★)** P Niven 9-1 **Mark Winn 70**
9 (12) 855079 **GALISTRA 25 (P★)** A Brown 9-1 **Tom Eaves 74**
10 (2) -542476 **DIAMOND AURA 25** T Easterby 9-0 **P J McDonald 95**
11 (11) -886096 **GO TEEJAY 27** C Lidster 9-0 **Alex Jary (3) 92**
12 (9) 060 **NEFYN QUEEN 137 (V★)** S Hanlon 9-0 **Conor Whiteley (5) 83**

BETTING: 6-4 Dalamara, 5 Baldosa, 6 Diamond Aura, 15-2 Gilleangirl, Go Teejay, 10 Rugby Union, 20 Parole Officer, 25 Nefyn Queen
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

2.45 SUNDAY LUNCH AT THE BORDER MINSTREL EBF NOVICE STAKES (4); winner £5,400; 6f. (11 runners)

1 (5) 21 **YORDAN 17 (D)** K Ryan 3-9-11 **Harry Vigors (5) ●99**
2 (9) 755 **RAKE LANE 41** M Walford 4-9-6 **Jack Garritty 87**
3 (6) 74 **ALPHA PLATOON 75** P Kirby 3-9-4 **Cam Hardie 89**
4 (4) 773242 **BRASH 32** D & N Barron 3-9-4 **Joanna Mason 92**
5 (2) 5736-U5 **ENNOBLE 61** A Brittain 3-9-4 **Harry Russell 74**
6 (1) 4 **TRIPLE P 45** T Easterby 3-9-4 **Duran Fentiman 90**
7 (7) 78 **MYSTIC WAVE 13** D Thompson 4-9-1 **Aiden Brookes 70**
8 (8) 3-4 **JOUD 91** E Bethell 3-8-13 **Cian Horgan (5) 88**
9 (11) 58 **MIDNIGHT SERENADE 22** R Smith 3-8-13 **Tom Kiely-Marshall (5) 75**
10 (3) 5 **MISS TINO 16** D Thompson 3-8-13 **Barry McHugh 81**
11 (10) 47 **NAVERTITY 13** S Hanlon 3-8-13 **Jason Hart 89**

BETTING: 10-11 Yordan, 7-2 Brash, 8 Ennoble, 12 Alpha Platoon, Triple P, Rake Lane, 16 Navertity, 20 Joud
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 2
2025: Judicature 3-9-4 D Nolan 12-1 (J Parkinson & S Smith) drawn 2, 9 ran.

3.15 HIGH GOSFORTH PARK GOLF CLUB HANDICAP (5) winner £3,978; 7f (12 run)

1 709-09 **HAVANAGREATTIME 15 (D)**
(10) R Carr 5-10-0 **Joanna Mason 85**
Runs: 21 Wins: 4 (F,2A,G) Places: 4 £48,077
Tumbling down weights but for a reason, totally out of form, down list

2 -31008 **HAVANA PRINCE 14 (CD)**
(9) T Coyle & K Wood 5-9-13 **Tom Eaves 87**
Runs: 32 Wins: 7 (2A,5G) Places: 4 £54,722
C&D winner, back down to last winning mark, turf runs interim, in hunt

3 1-0050 **BLOODSWEATANDTYRES 19 (B★;CD)**
(7) B Ellison 4-9-10 **Mikey Sheehy 79**
Runs: 6 Wins: 1 (A) £5,541
AW novice win at three, poor this year but hcapper giving him chance

4 030376 **ORNE 40 (B;D)**
(1) A Brittain 5-9-10 **Cam Hardie 93**
Runs: 28 Wins: 2 (S,A) Places: 7 £175,443
On long losing run but recent efforts not devoid of hope, don't write off

5 -17864 **UP THE AGENDA 15 (C,D)**
(5) J Morland 3-9-8 **Conor Whiteley (5) 95**
Runs: 13 Wins: 4 (3A,GS) £19,576
Below last winning mark, return to AW and 7f are positives, dangerous

6 206503 **BEATTIE IS BACK 27 (CD)**
(8) R & P Fahey 7-9-8 **Warren Fentiman (3) ●99**
Runs: 33 Wins: 4 (F,3A) Places: 6 £34,910
Better at Sthwell last time, signs stable coming out of doldrums, place

7 25540- **HONVED 460**
(2) F Watson 4-9-7 **Rhys Elliott (5) 88**
Runs: 5 Places: 1 £4,373
Downhill since Wolves debut, new stable after long layoff, others better

8 43-413 **HIGHLAND SHAH 55 (H;D)**
(11) J Camacho 3-9-6 **Ryan Sexton 96**
Runs: 5 Wins: 1 (G) Places: 1 £8,328
Mussel win in June, no disgrace latest, mark still workable, shortlist

9 163870 **TASEVER 39 (CD)**
(3) P Morris 6-9-4 **Tom Kiely-Marshall (5) 90**
Runs: 58 Wins: 6 (6A) Places: 17 £59,200
Winner off this mark here in Feb (1m), needed latest, each-way squeak

10 428774 **JUDICATURE 33 (C)**
(4) J Parkinson & S Smith 4-9-2 **Barry McHugh 94**
Runs: 12 Wins: 1 (A) Places: 1 £7,276
Sole win here, best for some time C&D latest, case to be made for him

11 507261 **LESSAY 66 (D)**
(6) P Morris 5-9-0 **Cian Horgan (5) 97**
Runs: 45 Wins: 4 (4A) Places: 8 £40,926
More like it at Wolves latest, 5lb hike doesn't make it easy but go close

12 54-470 **DOUWANTITRIGHTNOW 79**
(12) K Ryan 3-8-11 **Oisin McSweeney 82**
Runs: 6 £1,993
Yet to set world alight, down weights but likely needs even more help

BETTING: 5-2 Highland Shah, 11-4 Lessay, 6 Beattie Is Back, Orne, 15-2 Judicature, Up The Agenda, 20 Havana Prince, 33 Honved, 50 Tasever, Douwantitrightnow, Bloodsweatandtyres
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 9
2025: King's School 4-9-4, W Fentiman 16-1 (G Tutty), drw 4, 13 ran.

3.45 CHRISTMAS PARTIES AT NEWCASTLE RACECOURSE NURSERY (6); 2-y-o; winner £3,245; 6f. (11 runners)

1 (9) 35587 **EEVEE STAR 16 (B★)** E Bethell 9-9 **P J McDonald 89**
2 (10) 563 **PROFITABILITY 22** C Lidster 9-8 **Tom Eaves ●99**
3 (8) 8677 **SECRET RIVAL 20** E Walker 9-8 **Kieran Shoemark 89**
4 (2) 74205 **LIVEADREAM 33** P Makin 9-7 **Conor Whiteley (5) 87**
5 (6) 577 **WAITING FOR ARCHIE 60** R & P Fahey 9-7 **Barry McHugh 88**
6 (3) 757 **RIVER JORDAN 32** P Makin 9-6 **Jason Hart 91**
7 (1) 578 **CLARET TIME 46 (H)** N Tinkler 9-5 **Alex Jary (3) 90**
8 (4) 6759 **KAIULANI SPIRIT 20 (P★)** T Easterby 9-3 **Oisin McSweeney 86**
9 (11) 0647 **JOHNS POWER 20** R Fell 9-3 **Joanna Mason 92**
10 (7) 347 **BLADEY LADY 86** T Easterby 9-2 **Duran Fentiman 85**
11 (5) 5709 **YORKSHIRE DREAM 20 (P★)** B Haslam 8-9 **Andrew Mullen 75**

BETTING: 7-2 Profitability, 9-2 Secret Rival, 7 Johns Power, Waiting For Archie, Eevee Star, Claret Time, 10 Bladey Lady, River Jordan
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

4.15 FOLLOW ATTHERACES ON X HANDICAP (5) winner £3,978; 1m (11 runners)

1 875220 **MR MISTOFFELEES 25 (B;CD)**
(6) S England 6-10-0 **Tom Eaves 94**
Runs: 34 Wins: 2 (2A) Places: 11 £46,656
Never going Redcar latest, repeat of C&D effort before that and go well

2 249000 **HARRY THE ROGUE 25 (D)**
(7) S Hanlon 5-9-12 **Conor Whiteley (5) 82**
Runs: 38 Wins: 2 (G) Places: 15 £47,481
Yet to hit top gear this year but attractively weighted at best, in the mix

3 184526 **RISING FORCE 19 (BF,D)**
(9) J Butler 5-9-12 **Mikey Sheehy 96**
Runs: 52 Wins: 7 (F,4A,GS,G) Places: 13 £59,973
A bit in and out, more out than in Newm last time, needs bounce back

4 565730 **BOWOOD 39 (CD)**
(4) I Furtado 6-9-11 **Elle-May Croot (5) 92**
Runs: 45 Wins: 5 (F,2A,2G) Places: 10 £38,674
No show at York latest, little leeway in present mark, others preferred

5 62745 **BEE FARMER 34 (B★,T★)**
(2) E Bethell 3-9-9 **P J McDonald 85**
Runs: 5 Places: 1 £4,382
Found 10f too far latest, stable has been going great guns, dangerous

6 806078 **SUNRISEONTHEBOYNE 32 (D)**
(1) B Haslam 4-9-9 **Andrew Mullen 89**
Runs: 35 Wins: 6 (S,3A,G) Places: 3 £71,475
Four victories last season but way off that form this year, best watched

7 410606 **CRIMINAL SHORE 18 (V;CD)**
(5) D O'Meara 4-9-9 **Mark Winn 95**
Runs: 24 Wins: 2 (A,G) Places: 4 £22,388
Back down to last winning mark and this scene of last victory, go close

8 743769 **FLYING FLETCHER 21 (CD)**
(11) R & P Fahey 5-9-7 **Warren Fentiman (3) 94**
Runs: 38 Wins: 3 (3A) Places: 8 £44,527
Well treated at best and will pop up one of these days, not out of this

9 2290-9 **DRAGONFLAME 103**
(3) R Menzies 4-9-6 **Jason Hart 83**
Runs: 10 Places: 4 £6,974
No forlorn hope at best but poor of late, stable bow, market can guide

10 882262 **STARLINER 18 (C,D)**
(8) L Perratt 5-9-1 **William Pyle ●99**
Runs: 52 Wins: 4 (S,2F,A) Places: 12 £54,704
Mr Consistent, wouldn't be winning out of turn, mark fine, thereabouts

11 -49080 **NATZOR 25 (C)**
(10) L Quinlan 6-8-10 **Molly Keegan-Price (7) 79**
Runs: 29 Wins: 2 (2A) Places: 7 £31,625
Thrown in at best but that was a long time ago, doubtful he'll figure

BETTING: 11-4 Starliner, 9-2 Rising Force, 6 Criminal Shore, 8 Mr Mistoffelees, 10 Bowood, Bee Farmer, 14 Sunriseontheboyne
WHERE FAVES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

4.45 FOLLOW ATTHERACES ON INSTAGRAM HANDICAP (6); value to the winner £3,245; 5f. (9 runners)

1 (3) 7083411 **LET'S GO HUGO 8 (CD)** O Pears 6-10-0(5ex) **Tom Kiely-Marshall (5) 98**
2 (5) 5539326 **PAPA DON'T PREACH 16 (CD)** K Frost 7-9-9 **Oliver Stammers 92**
3 (8) 1462504 **PIVOTAL TERMS 23 (C)** I Jardine 3-9-6 **Andrew Mullen 97**
4 (1) 64687 **HEATHERS FEATHER 14 (P★)** T Waggott 3-9-6 **Jason Hart 84**
5 (2) 6492665 **SANDS OF SEVE 9 (D)** W Harrison 3-9-5 **Barry McHugh 96**
6 (7) 3643491 **LADY BOUQUET 9 (D)** P Kirby 5-9-4(5ex) **Joanna Mason ●99**
7 (9) 4335226 **ELLIE'S DE VEGA 11 (B)** P Kirby 3-9-2 **Cam Hardie 95**
8 (4) 3-04259 **SHATIN VENTURE 180 (CD)** L Perratt 5-9-0 **Mark Winn 90**
9 (6) 57-0735 **MUDDY NORA 34** S Spencer 3-8-13 **Dale Swift 89**

BETTING: 9-4 Lady Bouquet, 5-2 Let's Go Hugo, 8 Ellie's De Vega, Pivotal Terms
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

5.15 SKY SPORTS RACING VIRGIN 512 HANDICAP (DIV 1) (6); value to the winner £3,245; 1m. (10 runners)

1 (5) 3245273 **BOOK OF LIFE 7 (BF)** P Morris 6-9-9 **Jason Hart 97**
2 (3) 3667852 **MERCURIUS POWER 39 (CD)** J Macey 8-9-8 **Jack Dace (5) 98**
3 (6) 91-0871 **HEAR THE DRUMS 27 (D)** R & P Fahey 3-9-5 **Warren Fentiman (3) 97**
4 (1) 8-649 **BLAIRTUM NIGHT 14 (P★)** L Perratt 4-9-5 **Tom Kiely-Marshall (5) 83**
5 (10) 5492105 **SASSY GLORY 25 (V;CD)** M Walford 5-9-4 **Rhys Elliott (5) 90**
6 (9) 5873452 **ELETTARIA 21 (C)** J Wainwright 7-9-2 **Cam Hardie ●99**
7 (4) 087-068 **ONE MORE BOTTLE 25 (B;D)** L Quinlan 5-9-1 **Barry McHugh 88**
8 (8) 335093 **SODA 27** G Tutty 3-9-0 **Joanna Mason 93**
9 (7) 87-0899 **FURRST LADY 21** R Fell 4-9-0 **Oisin McSweeney 71**
10 (2) 773-950 **QUEENIES PAL 48** P Kirby 3-8-9 **Aiden Brookes 75**

BETTING: 4 Hear The Drums, 5 Elettaria, 6 Mercurius Power, Book Of Life, 10 Soda, 16 Sassy Glory, 20 One More Bottle, 33 Furrst Lady
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 5
2025: Seed Investor 3-9-6 David Nolan 7-2 (I Furtado) drawn 3, 14 ran.

5.45 SKY SPORTS RACING VIRGIN 512 HANDICAP (DIV 2) (6); value to the winner £3,245; 1m. (9 runners)

1 (6) 3766285 **BARLEYBROWN 17 (CD)** R Carr 6-9-9 **Joanna Mason 96**
2 (9) 6-89518 **DEFENCE MISSILE 32 (CD)** L Perratt 4-9-7 **Tom Kiely-Marshall (5) 91**
3 (1) 570 **THUNDER RUSH 41** T Coyle & K Wood 3-9-6 **Tom Eaves 86**
4 (3) 0740- **SOHAM'S ROGER 310** N Mechie 4-9-5 **Andrew Elliott 74**
5 (2) 0-86227 **HERE COMES LOUIE 25 (BF)** R Fell 3-9-3 **Conor Whiteley (5) ●99**
6 (5) 7-06652 **ITSZABOY 25** N Tinkler 3-9-2 **Alex Jary (3) 98**
7 (4) 0640527 **WALK ON WALK ON 36** P Kirby 3-9-2 **Ryan Sexton 89**
8 (7) 7332958 **LADY DELILA 58** P Morris 6-9-1 **Jason Hart 93**
9 (8) 7009000 **THE FLOORS MUNKY 39** G Rutherford 3-8-10 **Rhys Elliott (5) 70**

BETTING: 2 Itszaboy, 4 Barleybrown, Here Comes Louie, 6 Lady Delila, 7 Walk On Walk On, 8 Defence Missile, 16 Thunder Rush, 50 Soham's Roger
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: See Division 1.

LONG SHOT **ELECTRIC BASS (4.30 Bath) showed good signs at Chepstow last time and it's interesting to see him dropped to a mile for the first time in more than a year.**

HAMILTON

TEMPLEGATE

4.50 Sod Hall Lane
5.20 Impressor
5.50 Perseus Way
6.20 Battle Fever
6.50 Invincible Ruby
7.20 Toy Soldier
7.50 Sophiesticate

TOM PEPPER

4.50 Bacha
5.20 Big Apple Jack
5.50 Clocker
6.20 Trumpety Trump (nb)
6.50 DIAMONT KATIE (nap)
7.20 Tee Aitch Aye
7.50 Sophiesticate

■TIC-TAC: Right-handed, loop course with 5f run-in part of straight. Undulating, with testing finishing climb. ■DRAW: Low to middle numbers best in sprints, especially on soft ground. ■LEADING TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS (2021-2026): J Goldie 79-552, I Jardine 47-369, T Easterby 30-214, R & P Fahey 26-162. THIS SEASON: J Goldie 15, T Easterby 8, E Bethell 7. ■TOP JOCKEYS WITH RIDES (2021-2026): P Mulrennan 52-281, C Beasley 23-153, D Tudhope 22-118, D Allan 21-139. THIS SEASON: P Mulrennan 8, S James 6, R Scott 6. ■LONGEST TRAVELLER: Mimi's Magic (7.20) trained at Newmarket. Round trip of 720 miles. ■JACKPOT: Races 1-6. ■TRAINERFAX: I Jardine won the 5.20 in 2023 and 2024. ■FIRST RUN SINCE WIND OP: Edgewater Drive (5.20). ■LIVE ON RACING TV

GOING: SOFT

4.50 HEINEKEN LOW & NO BAR EBF MAIDEN STAKES (Class 4); 2-y-o; winner £6,210; 5f. (8 runners)

1 (6) 53 **BACHA 32** R & P Fahey 9-7 **Oisin Orr 95**
2 (7) 0 **PERRYSTON 44** K Ryan 9-7 **non-runner 81**
3 (2) 43 **ROYAL STRIKE 19** K R Burke 9-7 **Clifford Lee ●99**
4 (3) **SNEAKIN PETE** R Smith 9-7 **James Sullivan —**
5 (8) 2 **SOD HALL LANE 26** D Carroll 9-7 **Zak Wheatley 98**
6 (5) 63676 **STAY ON TAB 8** I Jardine 9-7 **Jack Nicholls (3) 73**
7 (1) 54 **CLASSYFIED 9** T Easterby 9-2 **David Allan 89**
8 (4) 54 **DADAWADA 11 (H★)** C Kellett 9-2 **Faleh Bughanaim 79**

BETTING: 5-4 Sod Hall Lane, 5 Royal Strike, 11-2 Bacha, 13-2 Classyfied
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1
2025: Boston Dan 9-7 Oisin Orr 1-10 Fav (R & P Fahey) drawn 2, 4 ran.

5.20 HAMPTON BY HILTON HOTEL HANDICAP (6); value to the winner £3,664; 6f. (13 runners)

1 (3) 914318- **EDGEWATER DRIVE 298 (D)** W Storey 5-9-9 **Greg Fairley 95**
2 (9) -031465 **LUMENBOURG 41 (D)** J Camacho 5-9-9 **Clifford Lee 94**
3 (7) 1613095 **IRIS DANCER 12 (B;CD)** T Davidson 8-9-8 **Rowan Scott 95**
4 (13) 5417645 **CAMERA SHY 27 (D)** M Dods 4-9-6 **Connor Beasley 91**
5 (6) 2643972 **VALENTINE CATCHER 22 (D)** T Easterby 5-9-6 **David Allan 98**
6 (10) 63-0588 **LESLEY'S BOY 17 (V;D)** R & P Fahey 4-9-5 **Oisin Orr 92**
7 (11) 4-99695 **MEN OF HONOUR 11** R Carr 4-9-4 **James Sullivan 85**
8 (1) 0063608 **IMPRESSOR 12 (CD)** P Makin 9-9-1 **Sam James 88**
9 (2) 2842542 **BIG APPLE JACK 14 (B★)** M & D Easterby 4-9-1 **Billy Garritty ●99**
10 (5) 5084817 **WHITE UMBRELLA 13 (B;D)** C Kellett 7-9-0 **Paul Mulrennan 90**
11 (8) 8666488 **MOUNT RUAPEHU 13 (BF,D)** I Jardine 6-9-0 **Jack Nicholls (3) 84**
12 (4) 4718755 **DOON THE GLEN 12 (V;CD)** J Goldie 6-8-7 **Shay Farmer (5) 94**
13 (12) 5772663 **SUMMERSTORMS DREAM 22** J Goldie 4-8-4 **Lauren Young (5) 93**

BETTING: 7-2 Big Apple Jack, 7 Valentine Catcher, Iris Dancer, 10 Lumenbourg, 12 Doon The Glen, Edgewater Drive, 14 Summerstorms Dream, Lesley's Boy
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 4-8 1 1 1 7
2025: Belsito 5-9-5 Tom Eaves 11-2 (K Ryan) drawn 7, 10 ran.

5.50 EVERY RACE LIVE ON RACING TV HANDICAP (5); value to the winner £4,187; 1m 5f. (12 runners)

1 (9) 94154-1 **PERSEUS WAY J73 (CD)** T Davidson 7-10-2 **Rowan Scott 97**
2 (4) 4137-60 **SIMPLY RUBY 23** D Sayer 4-10-0 **James Sullivan 85**
3 (3) -797908 **OURO PRETO 32** I Jardine 5-9-9 **Greg Fairley 76**
4 (11) -006655 **SPANISH HUSTLE 16 (C)** J Goldie 8-9-8 **Paul Mulrennan 85**
5 (7) 6-46121 **CLOCKER 18 (C)** E Bethell 3-9-6 **Oisin Orr ●99**
6 (10) 7-60340 **IBN ALTHEEB 25 (B)** I Jardine 3-9-2 **Clifford Lee 87**
7 (2) 649-347 **BILLY NO MATES 75** M Dods 10-9-2 **Connor Beasley 90**
8 (8) 3342539 **KINDLY QUEEN 39** C Kellett 3-9-1 **Faleh Bughanaim 89**
9 (5) 9060 **PATH TO PEACE 25 (V)** K Scott 3-9-1 **Shane Gray 72**
10 (6) 5-249 **WOOTTON'S GAL 32** R & P Fahey 3-9-0 **Billy Garritty 86**
11 (1) 9-74313 **EBONY MAW 22 (B;D)** E Whillans 9-9-0 **Kevin Stott 95**
12 (12) 23-3465 **AIGHEAR 48 (C,D)** J Goldie 8-8-11 **Lauren Young (5) 91**

BETTING: Evs Clocker, 6-4 Perseus Way, 10 Ebony Maw, 33 Spanish Hustle, Billy No Mates, 50 Aighear, Wootton's Gal, 66 Ibn Altheeb
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 6-7 5-7-0
2025: Perseus Way 6-9-12 Daniel Tudhope 8-1 (W Coltherd) drawn 2, 14 ran.

6.20 MOLTON BROWN HAMILTON PARK 2-Y-O SERIES FINAL NURSERY (2); 2-y-o; winner £20,616; 6f. (8 runners)

1 (1) 2312 **BATTLE FEVER 13** K Ryan 9-9 **Kevin Stott 98**
2 (7) 52321 **HARLEY 22 (CD)** E Bethell 8-13 **Daniel Tudhope ●99**
3 (2) 342 **TRUMPETY TRUMP 12** J Goldie 8-10 **Lauren Young (5) 97**
4 (3) 10007 **WILD TERRAIN 6 (B,T★;CD)** H Palmer 8-9 **Jack Nicholls (3) 85**
5 (6) 62642 **SEA MIRAGE 22** K Ryan 8-6 **Shay Farmer (5) 93**
6 (4) 653700 **RBFLYING 13** T Easterby 8-4 **James Sullivan 79**
7 (8) 6335 **ONSLAUGHT 22** R & P Fahey 8-2 **Ethan Tindall (5) 94**
8 (5) 6644 **BOUTBLUMMINTIME 33** A Keatley 8-2 **Finlay Bassett (7) 90**

BETTING: 13-8 Battle Fever, 2 Harley, 15-2 Trumpety Trump, Sea Mirage
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1 1 1 7 3
2025: Go Vince Go 9-1 David Allan 4-1 (T Easterby) drawn 2, 7 ran.

6.50 FOLLOW US ON X AT HAMILTONPARKRC FILLIES' HANDICAP (5); winner £4,187; 6f. (10 runners)

1 (5) 216-019 **CALL ME BETTY 86 (BF,D)** M Dods 4-10-0 **Connor Beasley 93**
2 (1) -109643 **MAE AMOR 28 (V;CD)** R Menzies 4-10-0 **David Allan ●99**
3 (10) 5123420 **DIAMONT KATIE 36 (D)** K R Burke 4-9-13 **Clifford Lee 96**
4 (8) 4341-39 **LILY PEARL 90 (D)** R & P Fahey 3-9-12 **Ethan Tindall (5) 92**
5 (3) 2226291 **THUNDERSTORM KATIE 25 (C,D)** J Goldie 5-9-7 **Lauren Young (5) 98**
6 (2) 0413129 **INVINCIBLE RUBY 26 (D)** I Jardine 4-9-7 **Jack Nicholls (3) 92**
7 (7) 7527283 **PICKERSGILL 22 (D)** I Jardine 4-9-6 **Paul Mulrennan 88**
8 (9) 3-228 **KILFRUSH DESERT 21** K Ryan 3-9-5 **Kevin Stott 95**
9 (4) 0-46169 **ANNIE EDSON TAYLOR 25 (CD)** P Makin 5-9-2 **Sam James 90**
10 (6) 6093326 **WHISKEY KISSES 12** R Smith 3-8-13 **James Sullivan 87**

BETTING: 9-2 Diamont Katie, Thunderstorm Katie, 11-2 Mae Amor, 15-2 Call Me Betty, 8 Lily Pearl, Pickersgill, Whiskey Kisses, Invincible Ruby, Annie Edson Taylor
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 2 5 4 9 1
2025: Amayretto 4-9-5 David Allan 11-10 Fav (T Easterby) drawn 3, 4 ran.

7.20 CLEANSTAY AT HAMPTON BY HILTON HANDICAP (6); value to the winner £3,664; 1m. (10 runners)

1 (4) -807632 **TEE AITCH AYE 23 (C)** I Jardine 5-9-12 **Jack Nicholls (3) ●99**
2 (7) 8951284 **PALMARIAN 19 (H;D)** R Carr 4-9-12 **James Sullivan 98**
3 (5) 2-77555 **KEATS HOUSE 37 (D)** M & D Easterby 4-9-11 **Billy Garritty 91**
4 (8) 5860680 **KELPIE GREY 23 (BF,D)** J Goldie 6-9-11 **Paul Mulrennan 88**
5 (6) 7985435 **PENELOPE'S SISTER 23 (C,D)** J Goldie 6-9-10 **Shay Farmer (5) 95**
6 (10) 5953384 **YAASER 23 (D)** J Goldie 8-9-9 **Lauren Young (5) 96**
7 (9) -325689 **MIMI'S MAGIC 15** E Dunlop 3-9-6 **Daniel Tudhope 92**
8 (1) 53673 **AURELUNE 60** R & P Fahey 3-9-5 **Oisin Orr 97**
9 (2) 399047 **SCHEFFLER 30 (B)** A Nicholls 3-9-5 **Connor Beasley 85**
10 (3) 0422687 **TOY SOLDIER 26 (B)** L Russell & M Scudamore 4-9-4 **Lexie Clarkson (7) 90**

BETTING: 3 Tee Aitch Aye, 11-2 Aurelune, Yaaser, Palmarian, 7 Penelope's Sister
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 3 6
2025: Arkenstaar 5-9-12 Connor Beasley 85-40 (M Dods) drawn 2, 8 ran.

7.50 BOOK YOUR CHRISTMAS PARTY HAMILTON PARK HANDICAP (6); winner £3,664; 1m 3f. (9 runners)

1 (5) 2413342 **ANNANDALE 6 (BF,CD)** J Goldie 8-9-9 **Paul Mulrennan 97**
2 (3) -763331 **SOPHIESTICATE 33** R Smith 7-9-8 **Shay Farmer (5) ●99**
3 (6) 2-26122 **DUBAI VENTURE 25 (BF)** T Jackson 5-9-8 **David Allan 97**
4 (7) /72728- **VAMPIRE SLAYER J166** D Bourke 6-9-8 **Shane Gray 85**
5 (2) -771965 **HICKTON 13 (C)** D Carroll 4-9-6 **Zak Wheatley 83**
6 (4) 2-88154 **UNCLE LIAM 59 (C)** J Goldie 4-9-3 **Daniel Tudhope 93**
7 (9) 4227324 **FALAISE BLANC 6 (V)** K Scott 4-8-12 **Rowan Scott 92**
8 (8) 9-80366 **DANDY'S ANGEL 5 (C)** J Wainwright 9-8-12 **Connor Beasley 89**
9 (1) 348-706 **SPIRIT OF NATURE 22** J Goldie 4-8-12 **Lauren Young (5) 90**

BETTING: 9-4 Sophiesticate, 11-4 Dubai Venture, 3 Annandale, 10 Vampire Slayer
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1 3
2025: Jaminoz 6-9-9 Oisin Orr 5-2 (L Russell & M Scudamore) drawn 2, 8 ran.

BATH

2.00 BATH COUNTRY RACE DAY EB (Class 5); 2-y-o; winner £4,32

1 (4) 367 **ANNA BELARDO 104** R Newland 9-7
2 (5) 24 **ETIENNE 46 (BF)** R Spencer 9-7
3 (1) 302344 **OUR FELLA 2** J Moore 9-7
4 (2) 92623 **TREE WIZARD 10** H Kobeissi 9-7
5 (6) 6 **COTAI JAUNT 8** O Sangster 9-2
6 (3) 56 **POLLY THE SNIPER 15** T Dascombe

BETTING: 1-3 Etienne, 8 Anna Belardo, Tree Wizard
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1 3 2
2025: Runamara 9-7 Nicola Currie 33-1 (K P De

2.30 WELSH POWER 20TH ANNIVE 1) (6); value to the winner £3

1 (7) 6073265 **THE FEMININE URGE 20 (D)** G Harris
2 (4) 000-75F **TEN CLUB 48 (H;D)** A Wintle 5-9-9
3 (8) 0174361 **KEN BRULEE 24 (D)** M Usher 3-9-6
4 (5) 4355520 **STARSONG 17 (D)** M Appleby 7-9-5
5 (1) 0-468 **IT'S A MUGS GAME 2** J Tickle 3-9-4
6 (6) 9618588 **PORT HEDLAND 10 (CD)** A Carroll 5-9
7 (9) 3427-54 **ANGLESEY LAD 112** S Dixon 5-9-0
8 (2) 8-56580 **RINKY TINKY TINKY 11 (D)** I G-Leveq
9 (3) 4503440 **MY BOY JACK 10 (V;D)** K Frost 7-9-0

BETTING: 5-2 Ken Brulee, 7 The Feminine Urge, 10 16 Ten Club, 20 Starsong, 25 My Boy Jack, It's A Mu
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 5 3 2
2025: Savannah Smiles 9-9 Rossa Ryan 3-1 (G H

3.00 WELSH POWER 20TH ANNIVE 2) (6); value to the winner £3

1 (7) -74648P **UP THE ANTI 106 (CD)** A Carroll 4-9-9
2 (9) 2442945 **HONOUR YOUR DREAMS 36 (C,D)** M
3 (2) 0-05334 **GEEMANN 2** J Tickle 3-9-5
4 (4) 0470-06 **TEN CUIDADO 15 (P★)** M Usher 3-9-4
5 (6) 596-08 **CICI'S SECRET 24 (H)** C Pike 3-9-2
6 (8) 8349234 **SISTERS IN THE SKY 16 (CD)** G Harri
7 (1) 750-639 **I WAS THINKING 33** A Wintle 5-9-0
8 (3) 5837480 **DALEY T 10** A Carroll 6-9-0
9 (5) 9934345 **ROGUE REBELLION 24** R Harris 3-8-1

BETTING: 5-2 Honour Your Dreams, 7-2 Sisters In T Anti, 8 I Was Thinking, 12 Rogue Rebellion, 16 Cici's
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: See

3.30 TRUSTED BETTING SITE REVI HANDICAP (6); winner £3,45

1 (7) 2-66533 **RECON MISSION 11 (D)** A Carroll 10-9
2 (2) 35-0763 **CALL TIME 5 (CD)** J Moore 5-9-6
3 (8) 3643602 **MART 1 (B;D)** D Donovan 5-9-6
4 (3) 4672747 **STAPLEFORD PARK 11** M Attwater 4-
5 (6) 4396416 **COOLAGH MAGIC 11 (D)** A Carson 10
6 (4) 5785202 **FANCY DANCER 7 (C,D)** H Burton 4-9
7 (1) 6953216 **JACKIE BROWN 16 (BF,C)** A Wintle 6
8 (9) -612266 **WEDGEWOOD 72 (CD)** A Carroll 6-9-2
9 (10) 0384327 **SYMBOL OF HOPE 16 (CD)** G Harris 8
10 (5) 780-605 **HI HOH TONTO 114** N Littmoden 7-9-0

BETTING: 3 Call Time, 7-2 Fancy Dancer, 4 Recon Brown, 10 Wedgewood, 12 Coolagh Magic, 14 Symb
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No c

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RECON MISSION (9-8) 9-2 fast away, led, faced challenge 2f out, pushed along 1f out, headed final 110yds, no extra, 3rd of 8 (btn 1½l) to What A Tahoo (9-0) **COOLAGH MAGIC** (9-5) 8-1 towards rear, pushed along over 2f out, no progress, 6th (btn 4¼l) **STAPLEFORD PARK** (9-0) 33-1 slowly into stride, towards rear, never involved, 7th (btn 5¼l) (Lingfield 5f hcap (6) £3,768 AW).
CALL TIME (9-3) 4-1 in touch with leaders, ridden 2f out, kept on same pace final furlong, 3rd of 6 (btn ¾l) to Son Of Astar (9-7) (Ffos Las 5f hcap (6) £3,454 good).
MART (9-2) 33-1 keen, midfield, shaken up 2f out, soon weakened, 11th of 14 (btn 4½l) to Get Up Everybody (9-6) (Newcastle 6f hcap (6) £3,245 AW).
FANCY DANCER (8-11) 11-2 led, headed

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4.00 BATH COUNTRY RACE DAY, RU HANDICAP (6); winner £3,45

1 (6) 654-749 **TROOPER 25 (B)** N Mulholland 6-9-9
2 (9) 5/31362 **BASILETTE 12 (C)** S Mullins 7-9-7
3 (8) 128-226 **JUST ADAIR 36 (P★)** J & A O'Neill 4-9
4 (5) 760-823 **FRAM CASTLE 25 (V)** M Wigham 5-9-
5 (1) 707R975 **PROPHET SQUEEZE 12 (H)** B Murphy 8
6 (7) 4365-86 **CHERRY COLA 42 (CD)** S West 10-9-1
7 (4) 8705744 **ALEX THE GREAT 27 (D)** A Carroll 6-9
8 (3) /06-766 **NORA BARNACLE 81** D F Davis 4-9-0
9 (10) 096464 **NOTABLE CHARM 11 (B)** M Tregonin
10 (2) 3-65065 **LADY LAUREN 27** E De Giles 3-8-6

BETTING: 2 Fram Castle, 9-4 Basilette, 9-2 Just Ada Squeeze, 16 Nora Barnacle, 25 Lady Lauren, Alex Th
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 7
2025: Rupert The Prince 3-8-12 Hector Crouch 9

DOG TIPS AND RET

SELECTIONS

■MONMORE: 11.03 Only On Bale (2-4-5) 11.19 Dhustone Spud (2-3-6) 11.36 Droopys Vanity (nap) (6-2-1) 11.52 Rhyming Ella (4-2-5) 12.09 Soap Box Surfer (nb) (6-2-4) 12.26 Butterbean (6-2-1) 12.42 Magical Sparkle (5-2-6) 12.59 Vixons Vanilla (3-5-2) 1.16 Chilledout Chick (5-2-3) 1.31 Elderberry Bingo (6-4-2) 1.46 Epic Susie (2-4-3) 2.04 Final Fernandes (6-2-4)
■NOTTINGHAM: 11.25 Brocquy (nap) (2-5-4) 11.41 Flyers Swiftly (2-1-3) 11.58 Grandad Bingo (2-5-1) 12.14 Sonic Reindeer (4-1-2) 12.31 Lagile Houdini (4-3-1) 12.48 Honour Face (nb) (1-5-4) 1.06 Romantic Rosie (1-2-5) 1.21 Kellies Jewel (6-2-3) 1.36 Yoguartpotjohn (2-3-5) 1.52 Monbeg Bella (2-6-4) 2.09 Blackfriars Buzz (1-2-5)
■NEWCASTLE: 2.29 Slingshot Nessy (2-1-3) 2.48 Alnwick Betty (5-6-1) 3.07 Slingshot Major (3-6-1) 3.26 Midtown Ebony (1-2-5) 3.44 Bloodline (nap) (3-1-5) 4.03 Canny Orla (nb) (5-2-3) 4.22 Brief News (4-5-1) 4.41 Szoboszlai (1-6-2) 4.59 Blackhouse Cat (3-1-2) 5.18 Jackos Cody (1-5-6) 5.37 Now Were Flyin (6-1-3) 5.56 Whitehills Zoey (3-1-4)
■HOVE: 2.23 Rapido Willow (6-2-1) 2.41 Hypershock (4-3-2) 3.01 Droopys Mpressiv (4-6-5) 3.19 Zenith Eze (nap) (2-3-5) 3.38 Minstrels Six (1-3-2) 3.57 Insane Marshall (nb) (1-5-3) 4.16 Ballymac Humilis (2-1-6) 4.34 Signet Ell (5-4-2) 4.53 Believe You Can (2-5-1) 5.12 Oziblue (6-1-5) 5.31 Daring Duchess (1-2-4) 5.49 Bluestar Gunner (1-2-3)

RETURNS

■NEWCASTLE: 11.09 Thetimetoshine 10-1 (2-3-1 BAGS F £49.28 TC £146.99).

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GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM)

BF MAIDEN STAKES
20; 6f. (6 runners)

.......Gina Mangan 84
.... Saffie Osborne ●99
.... Isobelle Chalmers (7) 85
.... Abdulla Rashid Al-Hajri (5) 90
.......Sean D Bowen 82
9-2.......William Cox 77
d, 12 Polly The Sniper

Foy) drawn 8, 11 ran.

ERSARY HANDICAP (DIV
3,454; 6f. (9 runners)

4-9-9.......Ashley Lewis (3) ●99
.... Finley Marsh 85
.......Rob Hornby 97
.......Alistair Rawlinson 93
.......Taylor Fisher 90
9-2.......Kieren Fox 91
.... Kieran O'Neill 92
ue 4-9-0.......Alice Bond (5) 81
.......Olivia Haines (7) 89
Anglesey Lad, 14 Port Hedland,
ngs Game, 33 Rinky Tinky Tinky

arris) drawn 7, 5 ran.

ERSARY HANDICAP (DIV
3,454; 6f. (9 runners)

.......Jack Doughty 94
M Attwater 6-9-7.......Kieren Fox ●99
.......Taylor Fisher 97
.......Rob Hornby 83
.......Edward Greatrex 85
is 7-9-0.......Tyler Heard 97
.... Finley Marsh 93
.......William Carson 89
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EWS GAMBLING.COM
54; 5f. (10 runners)

9-9.......Luke Morris 95
.......Taylor Fisher 98
.... Ryan Kavanagh (3) 89
9-5.......Seamus Cronin (5) 85
9-5.......William Carson 92
-4....... Saffie Osborne ●99
9-3....... Finley Marsh 91
.......Tom Marquand 94
3-9-1.......Callum Hutchinson 90
.......Gina Mangan 92
Mission, 8 Hi Hoh Tonto, Jackie
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corresponding race.

FORM

re halfway, led again 1f out, ed final furlong, always held, btn Sixcor (9-2) (6 ran) (W'hampton hcap (6) £3,454 AW).
E BROWN (9-5) 3-1 jt fav mid-on, ridden over 1f out, kept on furlong, never dangerous, 6th of tn 4½l) to Nzuri (9-4) **SYMBOL HOPE** (9-3) 18-1 prominent, n over 1f out, no extra final 110 s, 7th (btn 4½l) (Windsor 6f hcap 3,768 good to firm).
EWOOD (8-4) 6-1 handy, pushed 2f out, weakened 1f out, 6th of n 7l) to Just Jump (9-5) (Windsor ap (6) £3,768 good to firm).
H TONTO (9-0) 11-1 led, two hs clear final furlong, headed 110yds, faded, 5th of 11 (btn 2l) to Dancer (9-6) (Catterick 5f hcap 3,926 good).

UNNING 9 TILL 5
4; 1m 6f. (10 runners)

.......Luke Morris 84
.......George Downing ●99
-7.......Pat Cosgrave 97
6.......Alexandra Egan (7) 98
3-9-3.......Christian Howarth (3) 91
.......Tyler Heard 85
9-0.......William Carson 86
.......Ben Ffrench-Davis (5) 87
g 3-8-10.......Rob Hornby 95
.......Gina Mangan 91
ir, 10 Notable Charm, 12 Prophet
e Great, Cherry Cola, 33 Trooper

9-4 (P Butler) drawn 2, 8 ran.

TURNS

Katies Captain 16-1 (6-2-4 £124.51 8.82). 11.43 Alnwick River 11-8f £12.57 TC £43.09). 12.01 A Bit an 8-11f (6-1-5 £4.89 TC £9.82). Fabulous Shona 5-2 (4-3-5 £13.61 .19). 12.34 Vinny Chase 8-1 (5-6- 25 TC £87.25). 12.51 A Bit of 9-2 (6-5-3 £53.30 TC £202.05). lleacle Denise 5-4f (4-5-1 £28.08 16.20). 1.26 Balrobuck Tom 5-1 £30.54 TC £108.15). 1.42 Patriot 9-2 (6-2-3 £18.69 TC £48.20). omeo Mig 9-4f (6-3-4 £11.10 TC). 2.14 Blackhouse Peggy 13-8f 5.51 TC £11.44).
FFIELD: 11.01 A Fine Time 3-1 BAGS F £19.08). 11.18 Fourpenny 7-4f (5-4-3 £18.57). 11.34 Tromora 2 (5-2-6 £19.57). 11.52 Mid Tipp 11-8f (5-4-3 £4.61). 12.09 Olwinn 1 (3-5-1 £12.79). 12.26 Mylittle en 10-3 (5-2-6 £14.30). 12.42 bit Evie 10-11f (3-6-5 £4.29). 12.59 an Belle 2-1f (3-4-1 £9.00). 1.17 rlo Evensf (4-1-5 £3.21). 1.33 ale Halo 6-5f (6-3-1 £10.81). 1.51 Julie 5-4 (1-5-4 £10.92). 2.07 s Charm 5-4f (3-5-6 £20.22).
MORE: 2.31 Remorseful Day 6-4f BAGS F £7.67 TC £43.39). 2.49 g Legion 3-1 (1-5-3 £8.83). 3.09 n Giggles 4-1 (6-4-1 £29.89 TC 6). 3.27 Oblivion 5-1 (5-3-1 £21.18 .70). 3.47 Mystical Cash 5-2 (2-3-5 TC £40.93). 4.04 Tullymurry Rishi 6-3 £24.90 TC £61.05). 4.24 Hello Girl 4-6f (4-1-3 £4.83 TC £22.75). ero Superstar 9-4 (5-2-1 £10.82). cord Legacy 11-4 and Swift Depend 1st (1-6-4 £2.68, 6-1-4 £1.67). 5.19 g Inca 9-2 (2-3-4 £15.12).

TEMPLEGATE		TOM PEPPER	
2.00	Etienne	2.00	Etienne
2.30	Port Hedland	2.30	Ken Brulee
3.00	Geemann	3.00	Geemann
3.30	Wedgewood	3.30	Call Time
4.00	Fram Castle	4.00	Fram Castle
4.30	Buckland Belle	4.30	Havana Club
5.02	Pierian	5.02	Pierian
5.35	Jodhpur Blue	5.35	Jodhpur Blue

TEMPLEGATE'S TRIO: Sierra Belle (Kempton) and Blakefell (double, Kempton) with Book Of Life (Newcastle).
TOM PEPPER'S DOUBLE: Diamont Katie and Trumpety Trump (both Hamilton).
SUNRATINGS' NAP: BIG APPLE JACK (5.20 Hamilton).
THE JUDGE: COMIC HERO (8.00 Kempton).

■TIC-TAC: Left-handed oval track of 1m 4f, 4f run-in, with chutes on the back straight for the 1m 3 1/2f and 1m starts. Races over 5f and 5 1/2f start on an extension to the home straight. ■DRAW: Low numbers are favoured in races up to a mile. ■LEADING TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS (2021-2026): A Carroll 39-264, A Wintle 32-217, G Harris 20-209, J S Moore 15-163. THIS SEASON: A Wintle 11, A Carroll 8. ■TOP JOCKEYS WITH RIDES (2021-2026): F Marsh 24-170, K O'Neill 18-169, R Hornby 16-181, Taylor Fisher 15-128. THIS SEASON: F Marsh 7, Jack Doughty 4. ■LONGEST TRAVELLER: Spirit Of Jura (5.02). Round trip of 470 miles. ■FIRST RUN SINCE WIND OP: None. ■LIVE ON SKY SPORTS RACING

4.30 REGAL GAMING GRAND GALLOP HANDICAP (6); value to the winner £3,454; 1m. (14 runners)

1 (10)1804945 **EAGLE DAY 31 (D)** P Evans 6-9-9.......**Rob Hornby 90**
2 (7) 679/00- **WILDFELL 405 (B;D)** J & R Flint 6-9-7.......**William Carson 70**
3 (5) 8426413 **HAVANA CLUB 30 (CD)** A Wintle 4-9-6.......**Finley Marsh 96**
4 (13) 8-48121 **BLUE HERO 33 (CD)** A Wintle 8-9-6.......**Joe Leavy ●99**
5 (12)4521955 **SCEPTIC 18 (D)** I Williams 6-9-6.......**Ryan Kavanagh (3) 94**
6 (9) -316765 **MBAPPE 18 (D)** M Loughnane 5-9-5.......**Jack Callan 85**
7 (4) 55-2253 **ELECTRIC BASS 48** R Teal 4-9-5.......**Dougie Costello 93**
8 (6) -802305 **THESTRAL 29** A Carroll 3-9-4.......**Jack Doughty 88**
9 (8) 2322627 **GALACTIC GLOW 24 (C)** J Tickle 9-9-4.......**Taylor Fisher 94**
10 (1) 1322132 **BUCKLAND BELLE 9 (BF,D)** O Sangster 3-9-4.......**Tom Marquand 97**
11 (14) 00168-1 LOVELY JUBLY 56 (CD) M Attwater 5-9-4.......non-runner 87
12 (2) 9298415 **AMATHUS 20 (V)** P Chamings 9-9-3.......**Callum Hutchinson 92**
13 (11) 4353 **MALAKAI KITE 32 (H)** R Harris 3-9-3.......**Luke Morris 95**
14 (3) 9-09655 **WHO IS ALICE 9 (H)** G Harris 3-9-1.......**George Bass 91**

BETTING: 15-8 Buckland Belle, 7-2 Blue Hero, 11-2 Havana Club, 10 Electric Bass, Sceptic, 14 Galactic Glow, Malakai Kite, 16 Amathus, Who Is Alice
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 8
2025: Ajrad 7-9-9 Lewis Edmunds 11-2 (B Millman) drawn 1, 11 ran.

5.02 BRITISH EBF FILLIES' HANDICAP (4) value to the winner £10,468; 1m 4f (6 runners)

1 364-33 **QUEBELLA 82 (BF)**
(5) O Burrows 4-10-2....... **Jamie Spencer 95**
Runs: 8 Wins: 1 (A) Places: 3 £22,151
Two decent efforts for this yard, nudged down 2lb for latest, in the mix

2 21140 **PIERIAN 33**
(1) W Haggas 3-9-12....... **Tom Marquand 94**
Runs: 5 Wins: 2 (F,G) Places: 1 £21,300
Forgiven G'wood hcap bow latest, earlier 4th in French Lstd, dangerous

3 475253 **SPIRIT OF JURA 47**
(3) C Johnston 4-9-12... **Callum Shepherd 92**
Runs: 18 Wins: 4 (3A,G) Places: 3 £45,057
Off her game last twice, back in trip slight concern, needs bounce back

4 130031 **MYTHICAL BIRD 21**
(4) H Morrison 4-9-10....... **Rob Hornby 97**
Runs: 16 Wins: 2 (F,A) Places: 4 £26,853
Off mark on turf at Salisbury last time, 3lb rise looks fair, taken seriously

5 911411 **ARAVALLI 20 (D)**
(6) J Tickle 3-9-7....... **Taylor Fisher ●99**
Runs: 9 Wins: 4 (4F) £18,402
On hat-trick, 4lb rise for latest won't make this easy but still respected

6 -23213 **ASSET 22**
(2) Sir M Prescott 3-9-3....... **Luke Morris 97**
Runs: 6 Wins: 1 (F) Places: 2 £20,236
Denied only late on hcap bow Lingers latest, thereabouts if in same form

BETTING: 9-4 Asset, 3 Mythical Bird, 7-2 Aravalli, 6 Quebella, 7 Pierian, 12 Spirit Of Jura
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 3 2 4
2025: Miss Dolly Rocker 5-9-12, R Hornby 9-2 (D & C Kubler), drw 1, 6 ran.

5.35 COMPARE BETTING SITES GAMBLING.COM HANDICAP (6) winner £3,454; 1m 4f (6 run)

1 459-93 **SHAFFRON 111**
(4) D Menuisier 4-9-9....... **Saffie Osborne 98**
Runs: 7 £3,073
Edging down weights and no disgrace latest, further beckons in time, sniff

2 226253 **JODHPUR BLUE 30**
(3) I Williams 5-9-9....... **Edward Greatrex 97**
Runs: 22 Wins: 1 (A) Places: 8 £22,012
Poor strike-rate, 0-17 in hcaps but this his first go in this grade, interesting

3 626325 **TROJAN TRUTH 16 (B;D)**
(1) E De Giles 7-9-8....... **Luke Morris 89**
Runs: 42 Wins: 7 (6F,A) Places: 8 £42,842
Likes sound surface, not disgraced of late and hcapper giving him chance

4 056213 **OFFIAH'S BOY 19 (CD)**
(6) J Tickle 5-9-5....... **Taylor Fisher ●99**
Runs: 25 Wins: 5 (5F) Places: 6 £26,027
C&D winner, no disgrace at Epsom last time, well weighted at best, player

5 -14143 **BELLE AMIE 18 (CD)**
(5) D Simcock 4-9-4.... **Callum Shepherd 93**
Runs: 13 Wins: 2 (A,G) Places: 4 £13,110
Last win over C&D in June, need to catch her right but capable if on song

6 975524 **DOUGLAS DC 15 (B)**
(2) A Carroll 8-8-11....... **Kieren Fox 95**
Runs: 28 Places: 9 £16,594
Not without ability but 0-28 Flat record speaks for itself, chance but risky

BETTING: 5-2 Shaffron, 3 Offiah's Boy, 4 Jodhpur Blue, 6 Douglas Dc, Belle Amie, 8 Trojan Truth
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 3
2025: Skimming Along 4-9-5, A Voikhansky 7-2 (D Steele), drw 6, 8 ran.

EACH-WAY THIEF

BEATTIE IS BACK (3.15 Newcastle) was an improved third at Southwell last time and is back from a lower mark. Have an each-way double with PIVOTAL TERMS (4.45 Newcastle) who put in a better effort at Ayr last time out.

RACING RESULTS

BRIGHTON

Going: Good-good to firm in places

4.06: 1 LOLEETA C R Lyons (10-1); **2 My Mate Mackley** (5-1); **3 Beach Partee** (5-2). 6 ran (London Is Blue 2-1 fav). 1¾l; hd. S C Williams. T: £12.40; £4.90, £2.60. Ex: £77. Trifecta: £253.90. CF: £57.66.
4.36: 1 NORFOLK BLUE M Ghiani (4-11 fav); **2 Inspectre** (6-1); **3 Twilight Baby** (10-1). 4 ran. 1l; 3½l. W Knight. T: £1.37; Ex: £2.10. Trifecta: £5.50. CF: £3.
5.06: 1 JENSON BENSON G Mangan (9-2); **2 Makes Me Wonder** (3-1 fav); **3 Thundering Breeze** (15-2). 10 ran. ¾l; hd. S Lycett. T: £5.50; £2.10, £2.10, £2.60. Ex: £15.20. Tricast: £100.83. Trifecta: £55.10. CF: £18.81.
5.40: 1 BUG BOY Taryn Langley (22-1); **2 Highland Harvey** (7-4 fav); **3 Clipsham Noble** (6-1). 8 ran. nk; nk. A Newcombe. T: £23; £3.50, £1.20, £2.20. Ex: £88.30. Tricast: £276.94. Trifecta: £443. CF: £62.24.
6.15: 1 SHES GOT THE BLUES S De Sousa (10-3); **2 King David** (2-1 fav); **3 Turpin** (14-1). 9 ran. 3l; 1½l. A Carroll. T: £4.34; £1.70, £1.10, £4. Ex: £13.20. Tricast: £80.92. Trifecta: £81.40. CF: £10.24.
6.45: 1 TATTIE BOGLE M Ghiani (9-4); **2 Serenity Dream** (2-1 fav); **3 Shaw Park** (10-3). 6 ran. 1¼l; 3¾l. C Johnston. T: £3.25; £2.10, £1.40. Ex: £8.70. Trifecta: £18.50. CF: £7.21.
7.15: 1 DIOMED SPIRIT S Osborne (2-1 jtfav); **2 Bona Fortuna** (5-2); **3 Mr Cool** (2-1 jtfav). 6 ran. ¾l; 1½l. C Gordon. T: £3; £1.50, £1.70. Ex: £9.60. Trifecta: £14.20. CF: £7.60.
PLACEPOT: £27.30
QUADPOT: £3.30

GOWRAN PARK

Going: Yielding

2.00: 1 CURRACLOE B M Coen (22-1); **2 Snowing** (9-4); **3 Zenith Blaze** (evens fav); **4 Alpine Wedding** (6-1). 16 ran. 3¼l; 1¼l; ½l. J P Murtagh. T: €35; €5, €1.10, €1.10. Ex: €143.90. Trifecta: €320.90. CF: €75.64. NR: Atlantic Rose, Romance, Youveonlyonemother.
2.30: 1 DRUMBEAT W M Lordan (5-4 fav); **1 EQUUS VICTOR** B M Coen (14-1); **3 Capability Brown** (13-2). 15 ran. dht, 3½l. A P O'Brien, Daniel Murphy. T: Drumbeat €1.13, Equus Victor €7.50; Drumbeat €1.20, Equus Victor €3.10, Capability Brown €2.30. Ex: Drumbeat, Equus Victor €9.40, Equus Victor, Drumbeat €20.30. Trifecta: Drumbeat, Equus Victor, Capability Brown €90.20, Equus Victor, Drumbeat, Capability Brown €172.10. CF: Drumbeat, Equus Victor €12.63, Equus Victor, Drumbeat €17.06. NR: Don't Go Mad, Lamar River, Moon Sand.
3.00: 1 STARBORN LEGEND J M Sheridan (6-4 fav); **2 Keogie** (12-1); **3 Hasita** (2-1). 14 ran. shd; 1½l. J P O'Brien. T: €2.50; €1.20, €2.60, €1.20. Ex: €22.60. Trifecta: €100.80. CF: €23.55. NR: Mac An Luais, Saint Acclaim, Sarfarcat.
3.30: 1 SOLANA BEACH J A Heffernan (7-1); **2 Ninth Crusade** (3-1 jtfav); **3 Cladach** (8-1). 11 ran (Nazario 3-1 jtfav). nk; 1½l. J A Stack. T: €8; €2.40, €1.30, €2.80. Ex: €29.10. Tricast: €178.98. Trifecta: €194.60. CF: €29.25. NR: Motta Alta.
4.00: 1 QUINTA GIRL Reese Holohan (13-2); **2 Tax Me Later** (9-2); **3 Star Of Beauty** (13-2). 8 ran (Minaun View 6-4 fav). ½l; 5l. M O'Callaghan. T: €8.20; €2.20, €1.70, €2.10. Ex: €37.40. Trifecta: €113.60. CF: €37.36. NR: Vlhova.
4.30: 1 NAVAJO POINT Paddy Harnett (4-1 fav); **2 Rampage** (13-2); **3 Miss Americana** (6-1); **4 Selective Power** (5-1). 16 ran. nk; 1l; hd. M Hassett. T: €5; €1.50, €1.70, €2, €1.70. Ex: €33.80. Tricast: €175.76. Trifecta: €320.40. CF: €32.64. NR: Incredible Army, Limbocall, Volendam.
5.00: 1 JAVA WOOD Wesley Joyce (16-1); **2 Majestic King** (9-2); **3 Bundle Of Interest** (13-2). 15 ran (Mr Perth 5-2 fav). 1l; 1¼l. K Smith. T: €23.50; €4.70, €2.20, €2.60. Ex: €153.10. Tricast: €543.55. Trifecta: €306.90. CF: €88.39. NR: Rhythm King, Faoladh, Green Kite, Suir Monad.
5.32: 1 BANBRIDGE J M Sheridan (4-1); **2 Ballybawn Belter** (28-1); **3 Antrim Coast** (33-1). 13 ran (Bartholomew 13-8 fav). 2l; 1¼l. J P O'Brien. T: €5.50; €1.70, €5.30, €12. Ex: €123. Trifecta: €1261.40. CF: €119.81. NR: Goodie Girl, Nothingbutadream, Set To Win, Thisistheway.
PLACEPOT: €25.80

LINGFIELD

Going: Standard

2.20: 1 ALAZWAR Miss B Hampson (6-1); **2 Little She** (22-1); **3 Kurios Lady** (33-1). 10 ran (Divot 7-4 fav). nk; ½l. A Watson. T: £7; £1.70, £4.20, £6.70. Ex: £96.70. Tricast: £3993.02. Trifecta: £855.90. CF: £130.38.
2.50: 1 STORM FORCE James Doyle (4-9 fav); **2 Gold Star Gazing** (11-4); **3 Frantic** (11-2). 4 ran. 2l; ½l. R & P Fahey. T: £1.45; Ex: £2.20. Trifecta: £2.80. CF: £2.12.
3.20: 1 NOTHING BUT LOVE C Hutchinson (13-8); **2 Dusk Damsel** (40-1); **3 For Ever Hopefull** (7-1). 6 ran (Reader 4-5 fav). 2¾l; 1¾l. Dr J Scargill. T: £2.63; £1.40, £6.90. Ex: £29.10. Trifecta: £75.20. CF: £35.85. NR: Au Point.
3.50: 1 ELVETHAM T Marquand (5-4 fav); **2 Mart** (7-2); **3 No Return** (15-8). 5 ran. 2¼l; 1½l. C Allen. T: £2.25; £1.30, £1.70. Ex: £6. Trifecta: £10.10. CF: £6.08. NR: Dontspoilasale.
4.20: 1 HOPE RISING R Hornby (11-4); **2 Percy Jones** (18-1); **3 La Peregrina** (4-5 fav). 5 ran. 3¾l; 2¾l. J Snowden. T: £3.75; £1.30, £5.60. Ex: £32.60. Trifecta: £71.20. CF: £38.63.
4.55: 1 LAUGHTERINTHERAIN T Marquand (2-1); **2 Musical Soldier** (11-8 fav); **3 Paranjape** (8-1). 5 ran. 1l; 1¾l. E Walker. T: £3; £1.20, £1.20. Ex: £6. Trifecta: £19. CF: £5.03.
5.25: 1 HORACE WALLACE J F Egan (9-4); **2 Lahina Bay** (9-1); **3 Far Too Fizzy** (2-1 fav). 8 ran. 1l; ¾l. R & P Fahey. T: £3.25; £1.30, £1.40, £2.40. Ex: £22. Tricast: £47.15. Trifecta: £76.50. CF: £23.58.
PLACEPOT: £149.70
QUADPOT: £11.80

RIPON

Going: Soft

2.10: 1 YERMANTHERE Rhys Elliott (10-3); **2 Draupnir** (4-1); **3 Poet's Dawn** (6-1). 7 ran (His Finest Hour 5-2 fav). ¾l; 1¼l. T Easterby. T: £4.70; £2.40, £2.30. Ex: £18.80. Tricast: £75.15. Trifecta: £74.40. CF: £16.88. NR: Triple Force.
2.40: 1 THE RESDEV ROMAN Joanna Mason (11-1); **2 American Psycho** (7-1); **3 Empress Princess** (1-2 fav). 5 ran. 1¼l; 1½l. M & D Easterby. T: £12; £3.80, £3. Ex: £57.10. Trifecta: £102.50. CF: £75.71. NR: Classyfied, Walt.
3.10: 1 MAY BEE IN PROFIT D Allan (9-1); **2 Star People** (15-8 fav); **3 Lady Dublin** (17-2). 6 ran. ½l; 1½l. T Easterby. T: £10; £3.90, £1.50. Ex: £29.20. Trifecta: £190.40. CF: £26.84.
3.40: 1 YES I'M MALI D Tudhope (8-11 fav); **2 Kind Touch** (5-1); **3 Top Juggler** (9-1). 10 ran. nk; 2¼l. D O'Meara. T: £1.73; £1.10, £1.80, £2.50. Ex: £7.50. Tricast: £22.02. Trifecta: £31.70. CF: £4.74.
4.13: 1 FARANDAWAY O Stammers (9-2); **2 Almarada Prince** (10-3); **3 Mister Sox** (11-4 fav). 8 ran. 1l; ½l. G Tuer. T: £5.70; £1.70, £1.30, £1.30. Ex: £17.10. Tricast: £48.79. Trifecta: £59.60. CF: £20.21. NR: First Folio, Fortamour.
4.48: 1 ZERMATT STAR D Nolan (40-1); **2 Gunalt Wavelength** (10-1); **3 Milford Grange** (9-2). 13 ran (Donna Nook 7-2 fav). 3l; 2¼l. T Coyle & K Wood. T: £50.90; £9.70, £4, £2.50. Ex: £913.10. Tricast: £2192.53. Trifecta: £4282.10. CF: £421.36.
5.18: 1 ZIMMERMAN D Allan (15-8); **2 Bollin Neil** (18-1); **3 Dereham** (9-1). 6 ran (Si White 7-4 fav). 4½l; 2¼l. T Easterby. T: £3.10; £1.50, £3.90. Ex: £24.40. Trifecta: £163.90. CF: £32.35. NR: Femme Fatale.
PLACEPOT: £166.50
QUADPOT: £11.30

WOLVERHAMPTON

Going: Standard

4.42: 1 FEDERAL ENVOY D J Murphy (6-4 fav); **2 Mintana** (40-1); **3 Renewable Dream** (16-1). 9 ran. ¾l; hd. Charlie Clover. T: £2.60; £1.10, £6.60, £3.30. Ex: £81.20. Tricast: £739.02. Trifecta: £386.30. CF: £81.55.
5.12: 1 PHALANX NATION B Loughnane (6-4); **2 Speed Nation** (14-1); **3 Iris Olivia** (7-2). 9 ran (Jessica 6-5 fav). 1l; hd. A Watson. T: £2.50; £1.10, £2.70, £1.40. Ex: £21.50. Trifecta: £63.80. CF: £22.77. NR: Port Eleonora.
5.45: 1 NORMAN INVASION Ashley Lewis (5-2); **2 Hamda's Joy** (16-1); **3 Showcasing Star** (16-1). 6 ran (Media Legend 5-6 fav). 1½l; ¾l. E Walker. T: £3.70; £1.40, £4. Ex: £21.10. Trifecta: £145.20. CF: £37.43.
6.20: 1 BOOZIEBRUNCH C Fallon (7-4 fav); **2 Lucky Luna** (13-2); **3 Knowledge** (2-1). 6 ran. 2l; 2¼l. S Woods. T: £2.75; £1.80, £2.30. Ex: £13.90. Trifecta: £32.30. CF: £13.55.
6.55: 1 MELTING SNOW B Loughnane (8-1); **2 Midnight Media** (11-8 fav); **3 Pipily** (14-1). 10 ran. hd; ½l. E Dunlop. T: £9; £2.20, £1.20, £3.10. Ex: £23.70. Tricast: £160.05. Trifecta: £297. CF: £19.68.
7.30: 1 MACANUDO B Loughnane (7-2); **2 Henery Hawk** (4-1); **3 The Fixer** (4-1). 8 ran (She's A Gift 10-3 fav). nk; ½l. I Williams. T: £4.60; £1.70, £1.70, £1.60. Ex: £21.90. Tricast: £58.33. Trifecta: £82.60. CF: £18.29. NR: Sheik Yerbouti.
8.00: 1 RYE Rossa Ryan (11-4 fav); **2 In The City** (9-2); **3 Blackjack** (13-2). 11 ran. hd; 1¼l. A Carroll. T: £3.80; £1.40, £2, £2.20. Ex: £20.10. Tricast: £77.15. Trifecta: £110.20. CF: £15.72.
8.30: 1 OTTOMAN (Rossa Ryan 11-1 fav); **2 Luan** (4-1); 3 **Sevenkingsmustdie** (15-2). 1¼l, 1l;. 6 ran.
PLACEPOT: £163.80
QUADPOT: £18.60

TEMPLEGATE
RACING'S NO1 TIPSTER STEVE MULLEN

Sierra has got gears

SIERRA BELLE rings true (6.30 Kempton, nap).
Ralph Beckett's daughter of Frankel has gone well on both starts so far. She kicked off with a neck second in decent company on Newmarket's July Course. That saw her sent off at a short price at Salisbury last time where she maybe didn't handle the track. Rossa Ryan takes over for the first time and can conjure a bit of improvement.
BLAKEFELL (8.00 Kempton, nb) comes here in good form after tight seconds at Musselburgh and over course and distance last month. He's back from the same mark and looks hard to beat.
BOOK OF LIFE (5.15 Newcastle, treble) was almost knocked over turning for home at Wolves last time and was blocked again just before the line. So it was a fine effort to finish third so he can strike.

★ TEMPLEGATE NAP
SIERRA BELLE
6.30 Kempton

Bred to be classy and this is a great chance to get off the mark.

★ TEMPLEGATE NB
BLAKEFELL
8.00 Kempton

Has gone close here before and looks on a fair handicap mark.

★ TEMPLEGATE TREBLE
BOOK OF LIFE
5.15 Newcastle

Hampered badly twice at Wolves latest and should be right there.

PROBETS

EYECATCHER: BATTLE FEVER (6.20 Hamilton) was second in a big-field contest at York and should be right there again.

SUPER SPEED: BLUE HERO (4.30 Bath) clocked a good time when finishing strongly to score here last time out.
GAMBLED ON: HERE COMES LOUIE (5.45 Newcastle) was backed at Redcar latest.

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GOING: STANDARD TO SLOW

TEMPLEGATE	TOM PEPPER
5.30..... Musical Soldier	5.30.....Bundok
6.00.....Inscription	6.00.....Abersoch
6.30. SIERRA BELLE (nap)	6.30.....Asgar
7.00.....Fortitudine	7.00.....Fortitudine
7.30..... Remi Mae	7.30.....Egotistical
8.00..... Blakefell (nb)	8.00.....Raggaas
8.30.....Madjid	8.30.....Madjid

■TIC-TAC: Right-handed Polytrack all-weather course. 1m round with tight turns and a 3f run-in. ■DRAW: No massive advantage. ■LEADING TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS TONIGHT (2021-2026): A Balding 98-627, C Appleby 85-230, J & T Gosden 69-337, R Varian 65-282. THIS SEASON: A Balding 14, J Butler 13, J & T Gosden 8. ■TOP JOCKEYS WITH RIDES (2021-2026): O Murphy 125-563, Rossa Ryan 88-584, W Buick 81-277, D Probert 73-604. THIS SEASON: O Murphy 15, B Loughnane 15, Rossa Ryan 12. ■LONGEST TRAVELLER: Viviana (5.30) trained at Middleham. Round trip of 490 miles. ■LIVE ON RACING TV

5.30 UNIBET NEW IMPROVED ACCA BOOSTS APPRENTICE HANDICAP (Cl 5); 3-y-o; winner £4,187; 7f. (8 run)

1 (1) **3826-26 SOMETHING COMING 23** P Chapple-Hyam 10-0 ..... **Olivia Tubb 90**
2 (4) 0533 **BUNDOK 82** H Morrison 9-13 ..... **Alfie Redman (5) 95**
3 (8) **2178834 UNIONVILLE 14** M Attwater 9-12 ..... **Owen Lewis (3) ●99**
4 (2) 0221**112 MUSICAL SOLDIER 1 (BF)** O Sangster 9-12(6ex) ..... **Libby Swallow (7) 98**
5 (5) 3365427 **VIVIANA 14** C Johnston 9-8 ..... **Oliver Carmichael (3) 89**
6 (7) **1-78842 CHAPMAN'S PEAK 18 (CD)** E Dunlop 9-8 ..... **Toby Moore (3) 93**
7 (3) **2562365 ORANGE EMPEROR 17 (H,P★)** J Fanshawe 9-7 .. **Donagh Murphy (3) 92**
8 (6) 2466412 **SUPERSTORM 9 (V;D)** C Fellowes 8-11 ..... **Mikkel Mortensen 97**

BETTING: 15-8 Musical Soldier, 9-2 Bundok, 11-2 Chapman's Peak, Superstorm, 8 Unionville, 11 Viviana, Orange Emperor, 20 Something Coming
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 3
2025: Silca Bay 9-9 Oliver Carmichael 7-2 (E J-Houghton) drawn 1, 7 ran.

6.00 UNIBET MORE EXTRA PLACE RACES MAIDEN STAKES (3); 2-y-o; winner £6,480; 7f. (11 runners)

1 (11) **ABERSOCH (T★)** K De Foy 9-7 ..... **David Egan —**
2 (4) **ANAHONA** S & E Crisford 9-7 ..... **Silvestre De Sousa —**
3 (6) **CHAIN LETTER** H Candy 9-7 ..... **Nicola Currie —**
4 (3) **0 CHARLEMONT GG 50 (H)** M Botti 9-7 ..... **Marco Ghiani 76**
5 (2) **3 GOLD ARMY 28** H Charlton 9-7 ..... **Lewis Edmunds ●99**
6 (1) **INSCRIPTION** A Balding 9-7 ..... **Shane Foley —**
7 (10) **JEEPERS FORTUNE** H Eustace 9-7 ..... **George Wood —**
8 (5) **KINGDOM OF HEAVEN** J Butler 9-7 ..... **David Probert —**
9 (7) **LE DRAKKAR (T★)** K De Foy 9-7 ..... **Rossa Ryan —**
10 (9) 86 **NIDAL 12** S Williams 9-7 ..... **Ray Dawson 80**
11 (8) **0 OR EVER 61** C Hills 9-7 ..... **Cieren Fallon 73**

BETTING: 9-4 Abersoch, 3 Gold Army, 4 Le Drakkar, 5 Inscription, 11 Jeepers Fortune, Anahona, 25 Chain Letter, 33 Charlemont Gg
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 6
2025: Item 9-7 Colin Keane 5-2 (A Balding) drawn 11, 12 ran.

6.30 UNIBET 3 UNIBOOSTS A DAY/EBF NOVICE STAKES (4); 2-y-o; winner £5,940; 6f. (12 runners)

1 (5) 4 **AL WIDYAN 26** A Balding 9-7 ..... **William Buick 93**
2 (6) 94 **ASGAR 87** C Cox 9-7 ..... **Hector Crouch 96**
3 (7) 5 **BLUE VICTORY 33** W Knight 9-7 ..... **Marco Ghiani 89**
4 (3) 0 **COATIMUNDI 62** C Hills 9-7 ..... **David Probert 74**
5 (1) 6 **FARASAN 26** J & T Gosden 9-7 ..... **Oisin Murphy 97**
6 (9) 3 **I AM ROYAL 9** R Hughes 9-7 ..... **Billy Loughnane ●99**
7 (12) 45 **STORMY WINTER 19** S bin Suroor 9-7 ..... **Cieren Fallon 91**
8 (10) 7 **AGENT ROSE 84** S Williams 9-2 ..... **Ray Dawson 84**
9 (2) **LOVE ALWAYS** O Sangster 9-2 ..... **Libby Swallow (7) —**
10 (8) 22 **SIERRA BELLE 39 (BF)** R Beckett 9-2 ..... **Rossa Ryan 98**
11 (4) 65 **SNOW ON THE BEACH 18 (H)** J Owen 9-2 ..... **Mason Paetel (3) 79**
12 (11) 00 **SPIRIT OF PROGRESS 21** D Hitchins 9-2 ..... **Stevie Donohoe 70**

BETTING: 5-4 Sierra Belle, 5 Asgar, 8 I Am Royal, Al Widyan, Farasan, 10 Blue Victory, 16 Stormy Winter, 20 Agent Rose, Snow On The Beach, Love Always
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 2 2
2025: Monarch's Gold 9-4 David Egan 13-2 (K P De Foy) drawn 4, 11 ran.

7.00 UNIBET/EBF NOVICE STAKES (GBB/GBBPLUS RACE) (3); value to the winner £6,480; 1m 3f. (6 runners)

1 (2) **0 ANCHOR 28 (B★)** C Hobson 4-9-11 ..... **Marco Ghiani 75**
2 (1) **1 FORTITUDINE 28 (CD)** C Appleby 3-9-11 ..... **William Buick ●99**
3 (5) **9 NO ORDINARY JOE 28** R Stephens 10-9-11 ..... **David Probert 70**
4 (3) **41 SHADOW ROAD 28 (CD)** J Butler 3-9-11 ..... **David Egan 94**
5 (6) 8-62725 **BRAVE HUNTER 55 (V★)** I Mohammed & J Santos 3-9-4 .. **Billy Loughnane 85**
6 (4) **ROXY POWER** S & E Crisford 3-9-4 ..... **Silvestre De Sousa —**

BETTING: 4-9 Fortitudine, 10-3 Shadow Road, 13-2 Brave Hunter, 16 Roxy Power
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

7.30 TRY UNIBET'S NEW SMARTVIEW RACECARDS FILLIES' HANDICAP (5); winner £4,187; 6f. (8 runners)

1 (1) 7**11444 ZOUSTAR DREAMS 19 (D)** E Dunlop 3-9-12 ..... **Billy Loughnane 97**
2 (6) 82-2439 **GOT THE BOOTY 79** C Cox 3-9-12 ..... **Rossa Ryan 93**
3 (8) 71-0909 **JUST QUEEN HIGH 63 (D)** I Williams 4-9-11 ..... **Cieren Fallon 85**
4 (4) 1**452137 AMELIA'S JOY 16 (D)** M Herrington 4-9-10 ..... **David Probert 95**
5 (2) -231**742 EGOTISTICAL 16 (D)** R Varian 3-9-10 ..... **Ray Dawson ●99**
6 (7) -235**318 STARTLED LADY 32 (D)** W Knight 3-9-9 ..... **Neil Callan 96**
7 (5) 2-303D3 **REMI MAE 21 (T★)** A Balding 3-9-7 ..... **Oisin Murphy 97**
8 (3) -283**769 OVERBUDGET 26** M Appleby 3-9-2 ..... **Mason Paetel (3) 90**

BETTING: 5-2 Egotistical, Remi Mae, 6 Amelia's Joy, 7 Zoustar Dreams, 10 Got The Booty, Startled Lady, 14 Overbudget, Just Queen High
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 4 4
2025: Powdering 5-10-1 Billy Loughnane 6-1 (M Herrington) drawn 8, 9 ran.

8.00 UNIBET SAFER GAMBLING HANDICAP (4) 3-Y-O; winner £6,281; 7f (8 runners)

1 8-0519 **AIGEAS 7 (C)** — **(4)** O Cole 9-9 ..... **Mason Paetel (3) 85**
Runs: 6 Wins: 2 (2A) £18,784
Course win (6f) two starts back but faded tamely here latest, jury's out

2 403114 **SIERRA SANDS 32 (D)** — **(1)** E Dunlop 9-8 ..... **David Egan 92**
Runs: 9 Wins: 3 (2F,1G) Places: 2 £31,119
Quick summer brace, but not at best latest, needs bounce back on AW bow

3 2-7003 **SHAMAN CHAMPION 37** — **(6)** C Cox 9-8 ..... **Rossa Ryan 97**
Runs: 10 Wins: 1 (F) Places: 3 £22,586
More like it latest, gelded now and plenty of juvenile promise to build on too

4 4421 **RAGGAAS 25 (D)** — **(5)** S & E Crisford 9-7 ..... **Jack Mitchell ●99**
Runs: 4 Wins: 1 (F) £9,330
Off mark in weak Redcar maiden, AW bow and opening mark fair, in mix

5 2-1526 **COMIC HERO 81 (CD)** — **(3)** A Balding 9-5 ..... **Oisin Murphy 96**
Runs: 7 Wins: 1 (A) Places: 2 £26,753
Caught the eye at Newm two starts back, ignore Chester latest, respected

6 -23226 **HARDY'S HERO 32** — **(7)** W Haggas 9-5 ..... **Cieren Fallon 90**
Runs: 9 Wins: 2 (F,G) Places: 2 £29,897
Good runs in defeat before bombing out Newm latest, forgive that and player

7 **372152 MANLY FIREBALL 34 (P★)** — **(8)** R Hughes 9-3 ..... **Billy Loughnane 91**
Runs: 9 Wins: 1 (A) Places: 4 £11,956
Not beaten far in Wolves claimer latest, 7f fine but this is tougher, e-w

8 -16322 **BLAKEFELL 9 (BF,D)** — **(2)** I Furtado 9-2 ..... **Silvestre De Sousa 98**
Runs: 9 Wins: 1 (G) Places: 3 £32,690
Has hcap in him and mark unchanged after Mussel 2nd last week, player

BETTING: 7-2 Blakefell, 4 Raggaas, 9-2 Comic Hero, Shaman Champion, 10 Sierra Sands, Manly Firehall, Hardy's Hero, 14 Aigeas
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1-2
2025: Enrolled 9-4, O Murphy 3-1 JtFav (J Fanshawe), drw 6, 7 ran.

Sunracing FORM

AIGEAS (9-9) 9-1 chased leader, ridden over 2f out, weakened over 1f out, 9th of 11 (btn 6¹/₄l) to Bintaryana (9-3) (Kempton 6f hcap (4) £6,281 AW).
SIERRA SANDS (9-8) 5-1 towards rear, outpaced 2f out, kept on one pace inside final furlong, 4th of 6 (btn 5¹/₄l) to Tryst (9-11) **HARDY'S HERO** (9-5) 10-3 prominent, outpaced and weakened quickly final furlong, last (well btn) (Newmarket 7f hcap (4) £6,442 good to firm).
SHAMAN CHAMPION (9-8) 13-2 mid-division, pushed along over 2f out, ridden and every chance 1f out, no extra closing stages, 3rd of 10 (btn ¹/₄l) to King Of Fury (9-9) (Southwell 7f hcap (4) £5,234 AW).
RAGGAAS (9-7) 15-8 chased leaders, ridden and pressed leader 2f out, led over 1f out, went two lengths clear inside final furlong, comfortably, bt Yimmna (9-2) 2l (8 ran) (Redcar 7f mdn (4) £5,400 good to firm).
COMIC HERO (8-7) 11-2 took keen hold, midfield, ridden 2f out, kept on same pace inside final furlong, lost two places final stride, 6th of 9 (btn 2³/₄l) to Jeddaal (8-4) (Chester 1m hcap (2) £25,770 good to soft).
MANLY FIREBALL (9-1) 7-2 handy, went second 2f out, lugged in behind leader over 1f out, stayed on, always just held closing stages, btn ³/₄l by Mission Command (8-13) (11 ran) (W'hampton 6f claim (6) £3,564 AW).
BLAKEFELL (9-7) 9-4 fav prominent, raced wide, led over 2f out, ridden final furlong, headed final 110yds, no extra towards finish, btn nk by Two Commanders (9-7) (10 ran) (Musselburgh 7f hcap (4) £6,281 good).

8.30 BET 20 POUND GET 20 POUND WITH UNIBET HANDICAP (5); winner £4,187; 1m 3f. (6 runners)

1 (3) 20**10443 JOSEPH 16** J Butler 4-10-2 ..... **David Egan 97**
2 (6) 4295**711 MADJID 7 (C)** H Charlton 3-10-1(6ex) ..... **Lewis Edmunds ●99**
3 (5) 2795**751 PERSHALLA 16 (H;C,D)** A Perrett 4-9-12 ..... **Cieren Fallon 96**
4 (2) 3332052 **EXTRATERRESTRIAL 73** S & E Crisford 3-9-9 ..... **non-runner 98**
5 (4) 56-5 **THATCHAM 20** R Hannon 3-9-3 ..... **Pat Dobbs 85**
6 (1) 3-575 **ROGUE DESIRE 90** J Morland 3-9-2 ..... **Neil Callan 90**

BETTING: 10-11 Madjid, 9-2 Pershalla, 11-2 Joseph, 10 Thatcham, 20 Rogue Desire
WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED and 2025: No corresponding race.

NAVAN

EAMONN HAMES

GOING: GOOD

4.07.....Annie Batt
4.38.....Bad Boy Rizz
5.08.....Murat
5.40.....Resurgence
6.10.....Perfect Judgement (nb)
6.40.....THOMPSON GUNNER (nap)
7.10.....Morehampton
7.40.....Fairylike

■TIC-TAC: Left-handed undulating, galloping track of 1m 4f. There is a 3f run-in with a stiff uphill finish. ■DRAW: Low numbers Best. ■LEADING TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS (2021-2026): A P O'Brien 43-138, J Harrington 21-159, J P Murtagh 14-114, J P O'Brien 14-145. THIS SEASON: G M Lyons 4, A P O'Brien 4, A Slattery 3. ■TOP JOCKEYS WITH RIDES (2021-2026): W J Lee 29-176, C T Keane 21-207, B M Coen 20-172, J A Heffernan 18-122. THIS SEASON: G F Carroll 4, W J Lee 4, B M Coen 4. ■JACKPOT: Races 3-6. PLACEPOT: Races 1-6. ■LIVE ON RACING TV

4.07 MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES; 2-y-o; winner €15,000; 5f. (11 runners)

1 (1) 66 **CYCLONE CODE 63** S Cavanagh 9-9 .... **D O'Connor**
2 (8) 4432 **BIT OF A BUZZ 47** G Cromwell 9-5 ..... **G Carroll**
3 (10) 79 **SCARLET DREAM 10** A McGuinness 9-2 .. **A Caffrey**
4 (5) **GUS MCCRAE** N Meade 9-1 ..... **C Keane**
5 (7) AHOREY W Crawford 8-13 ..... **non-runner**
6 (2) 0 **LION OF FORTUNE 17** K Cotter 8-13 ..... **non-runner**
7 (3) 0U47 **BEST LOVE 19** E & P Harty 8-12 ..... **D McDonogh**
8 (11) **LADY ROMAGNA** W McCreery 8-12 ..... **L Roche**
9 (6) 20 **ANNIE BATT 53** A Slattery 8-8 ..... **A Slattery**
10 (4) 00 **SADIE ROSE 10** F Hand 8-8 ..... **S Rutledge**
11 (9) **SOMETHINGABOUTLOVE** C Farrell 8-8 ..... **R Cleary**

Best Love ●99, Annie Batt 96, Bit Of A Buzz 95.

7-4 Bit Of A Buzz, 3 Best Love, 7-2 Annie Batt, 12 Gus Mccrae

4.38 HANDICAP; winner €9,000; 5f. (18 runners)

1 (11) 1104 **PRAIRIE GIRL 24 (D)** D Murphy 4-10-3 .... **T Casey (7)**
2 (15) 2621 **AMERILIS 19 (D)** G Scott 3-9-13 ..... **W Lee**
3 (3) 9435 **CUBAN GREY 18 (D)** P McKenna 6-9-13 .. **L McAteer**
4 (16) 2354 **BAD BOY RIZZ 42 (CD)** R O'Sullivan 3-9-12 **C Keane**
5 (2) 1293 **GOTTA CATCH'EM ALL 6 (b;BF,C)** H Rogers 6-9-10 **S Rutledge**
6 (12) 1849 **SOVEREIGN CRY 6 (D)** D Murphy 3-9-10 .. **J O'Gorman (7)**
7 (13) 00-0 **DANDYVILLE 18** C O'Connell 8-9-9 ..... **J Heffernan**
8 (8) 8020 **SHADOW OF THE MOON 66 (T★;D)** J Feane 4-9-8 **A Caffrey**
9 (7) 1560 **BUDDY BATT 66 (D)** T Collins 5-9-7 ..... **R Cleary**
10 (1) 0621 **HARRY'S HILL 17 (CD)** M Hassett 8-9-7 **P Harnett (3)**
11 (17) 0310 **MINT MAN 11 (V;D)** P Murphy 5-9-5 ..... **C Hayes**
12 (6) 4230 **BOLD OPTIMIST 11 (B★;D)** D McLoughlin 6-9-2 **B Coen**
13 (4) 3540 **TREASURED ROYAL 11 (C)** G Cromwell 3-9-1 **G Carroll**
14 (9) 3159 **HAPPY HENRY 17 (BF,CD)** W McCreery 5-9-0 **L Roche**
15 (5) 7553 **BEACH BARBIE 18** E Lynam 4-8-12 ..... **J Ryan**
16 (18) 3606 **GONNA BE GOLDEN 19** A Oliver 3-8-11 .... **R Whearty**
17 (10) 1350 **CASHEL BLUE 11 (P★;D)** K Condon 3-8-9 **R Holohan (7)**
18 (14) 1138 **ALNOFOOR 82 (BF,C,D)** C O'Connell 8-8-7 .... **A Slattery**

Bad Boy Rizz ●99, Harry's Hill 98, Alnofoor 97.

9-2 Harry's Hill, 6 Prairie Girl, 8 Bad Boy Rizz, Gotta Catch'em All, Amerilis, 10 Alnofoor, Cuban Grey, 12 Bold Optimist

5.08 AMATEUR HANDICAP; winner €9,000; 2m. (17 runners)

1 (3) 712 **MURAT 12** P Lawlor 7-12-6 ..... **Mr H Swan**
2 (6) 2450 **THE MEDIATOR 4** G Elliott 9-12-0 .. **Ms C O'Ryan (7)**
3 (17) 3-32 **WHIMSY J124** A McCann 7-11-13 .... **Miss A O'Connor**
4 (10) -440 **BLACK HEATHER 35** G Cromwell 7-11-11 **Mr B Coonan (7)**
5 (4) 7032 **NOT JUST ANY EAGLE 27** P Flynn 7-11-11 **Mr D Doyle (7)**
6 (8) 9-32 **FRIARY ROAD 41** T Walsh 6-11-9 **Mr L Shanahan (7)**
7 (12) 567/ **TIMURSHAH J31** A Melia 5-11-9 ..... **Mr D O'Connor**
8 (9) 730- **JERANDME J111 (D)** E & P Harty 12-11-8 **Mr P Smullen (7)**
9 (16) 23-3 **SEQUOIASPRIT J32** R Hackett 9-11-8 **Mr L Hackett (7)**
10 (15) -002 **DAY TRADER 34** A Martin 5-11-7 ..... **Mr F Maguire**
11 (14) 8032 **MISS GITANA 18 (D)** J Murray 5-11-2 **Mr J Martin (7)**
12 (5) 4/54 **LIBERATED LIGHT 26** J & T Kiely 7-11-1 **Mr J Gleeson**
13 (13) -606 **RICH BELIEF J7 (C,D)** K Thornton 9-10-13 **Mr S Connor**
14 (1) 2585 **JURALITY 12 (C)** P Flynn 5-10-10 ..... **Miss J Townend**
15 (2) 2852 **CALA GRACIONETA 6** M Smith 4-10-9 **Mr N McParlan**
16 (11) 0370 **YOUNG CHURCHILL 28** R O'Brien 5-10-9 **Mr A Ryan (5)**
17 (7) -567 **SLOWDOWNBARNEY J27 (B)** D McLoughlin 5-10-7 **Mr D O'Sullivan (7)**

Murat ●99, Not Just Any Eagle 97, Whimsy 96.

5 Murat, 11-2 Not Just Any Eagle, 13-2 Miss Gitana, Cala Gracioneta, 8 Day Trader, 10 Whimsy, Friary Road, Timurshah

5.40 MAIDEN STAKES; 3-y-o; winner €9,000; 1m. (14 runners)

1 (11) 6732 **CHAPEL LANE 12 (V)** W McCreery 9-8 ..... **W Lee**
2 (5) 323 **ELUSIVE PATH 49 (BF)** G Lyons 9-8 ..... **C Keane**
3 (9) -334 **LET'S SMASH IT 11** R Aguiar 9-8 ..... **D O'Connor**
4 (14) 24- **RESURGENCE 351** J Harrington 9-8 .. **K Kennedy (5)**
5 (1) 6370 **STORZANDO 17** M Mulvany 9-8 ..... **W Joyce (3)**
6 (12) **TESTAVERDE** J Murphy 9-8 ..... **J Heffernan**
7 (10) 78 **TIME WHISPERER 13** L Cusack 9-8 ..... **L McAteer**
8 (7) 52 **EMIZA 18** D Weld 9-3 ..... **C Hayes**
9 (8) **PATTYANDSELMA** A McGuinness 9-3 ..... **R Cleary**
10 (3) **RIYAZANKA** J Murtagh 9-3 ..... **B Coen**
11 (13) 0 **THE BLONDE LADY 19** A Martin 9-3 ..... **R Colgan**
12 (2) 000 **WHATSIN THE STARS 8** P Flynn 9-3 ..... **L Roche**
13 (4) 000 **WOOLOONGABBA 8** J McConnell 9-3 .... **S Rutledge**
14 (6) 63 **XIRIVELLA 30** N Meade 9-3 ..... **A Caffrey**

Let's Smash It ●99, Elusive Path 97, Emiza 95.

11-4 Emiza, 5 Resurgence, 6 Elusive Path, Xirivella, Let's Smash It, 7 Riyazanka, Chapel Lane, 16 Storzando

6.10 HANDICAP; winner €6,000; 1m. (17 runners)

1 (3) 0208 **BATTLE BORNE 75** P McKenna 4-10-2 **P McGettigan (5)**
2 (5) 5170 **DINAMINE 17 (D)** M Mulvany 8-10-1 ..... **W Joyce (3)**
3 (7) 7502 **PERFECT JUDGEMENT 21 (D)** P Murphy 5-10-1 **G Ryan**
4 (6) 3604 **LAND OF THE GIANTS 21** A McGuinness 4-9-13 **A Caffrey**
5 (8) 506 **BLUE ORQUIDEA 21** D Hogan 3-9-11 ..... **J Sheridan**
6 (18) -070 **WILD BERRIES 27 (P★)** R O'Sullivan 3-9-11 **R Holohan (7)**
7 (2) 8627 **CONCAIRE 75 (H)** R O'Brien 3-9-9 ..... **W Lee**
8 (17) 5905 **GISELLES DEFENCE 44** S Davis 6-9-9 .. **P Harnett (3)**
9 (9) 70-7 **VIRGIL TIBBS 62** J McConnell 4-9-9 ..... **D O'Connor**
10 (20) 00-0 **DRESS DANCE 106 (P★,T★)** S Lavery 4-9-8 **R Colgan**
11 (11) 50-0 **WHOSETHEBESTBOY 107 (H★)** R Brabazon 6-9-7 **J Heffernan**
12 (12) -904 **CHOU CHOU 21** E O'Connell 5-9-5 ..... **C Keane**
13 (19) 0700 **ZEPHRON 75 (B;D)** A McCann 9-9-3 ..... **L McAteer**
14 (4) 0004 **CANNONBALL QUEEN 27** S Duffy 4-9-2 ..... **B Coen**
15 (1) 6-42 **DUCHESS ANNE 39** D Foster 5-8-13 ..... **G Carroll**
16 (16) 0-00 **SPIRITOFTHEDAWN 120** F Hand 3-8-13 .. **R Whearty**
17 (13) 2-00 **YORKSHIRE MYTH 82 (B)** R Burns 4-8-12 .. **N Burns (5)**
18 (10) -000 **MARAMBO 6** C Timmons 4-9-11 ..... **RESERVE**
19 (14) 56-0 **PLASTIC PADDY J26 (D)** T McGuinness 8-8-10 **RESERVE**
20 (15) 4800 **I'M SPARTACUS 4** A McGuinness 5-9-8 .. **RESERVE**

Perfect Judgement ●99, Land Of The Giants 98, Concaire 97.

7-2 Cannonball Queen, Perfect Judgement, Duchess Anne, 7 Concaire, Chou Chou, 12 Virgil Tibbs, Land Of The Giants

6.40 HANDICAP; winner €6,000; 1m. (17 runners)

1 (9) 9509 **CONCERT PARTY 15 (T★)** D Hogan 4-10-2 **J Sheridan**
2 (7) 6008 **MOYASSR 15 (D)** A McGuinness 5-10-2 .... **S Coen (5)**
3 (10) 0970 **USUARIO AMIGO 39** R O'Brien 5-9-13 ..**S McCullagh**
4 (20) 0060 **SUERTE 8** S Lavery 4-9-11 ..... **R Colgan**
5 (11) 700B **DISTILLATE 8** A McGuinness 6-9-9 ..... **A Caffrey**
6 (17) 0000 **GENUINE JIM 76 (D)** R Burns 6-9-8 ..... **N Burns (5)**
7 (3) -100 **MICASSO 27 (D)** D Kinsella 4-9-7 ..... **J Heffernan**
8 (12) 50-35 **THOMPSON GUNNER 19 (B)** C Hughes 5-9-7 **C Keane**
9 (13) 6690 **MAKE THE TIDE 26** W McCreery 3-9-6 ..... **W Lee**
10 (19) 4070 **ONYEISI 21** K Thornton 3-9-5 ..... **J Cleary (5)**
11 (6) 099S **PETTUS BRIDGE 8** D Foster 4-9-4 **P McGettigan (5)**
12 (8) 480 **AGHADRUM BOY 13** P Murphy 3-9-3 ..... **G Ryan**
13 (16) 0-70 **PINBALL WIZARD 62 (T★;D)** J McConnell 8-9-3 **S Rutledge**
14 (14) 000- **CHANT D'OR 316 (B)** D McLoughlin 4-9-1 .... **B Coen**
15 (4) 0880 **WINSTON'S PROMISE 19** L Cusack 3-8-13 **L McAteer**
16 (18) 9-08 **TARIFF 39** C Maxwell 3-8-10 ..... **R Whearty**
17 (5) 0600 **DARWIN'S ANGEL 39** S Duffy 3-8-7 ..... **L Roche**
18 (2) 9660 **BORORA AURA 6** M Mulvany 3-9-2 ..... **RESERVE**
19 (15) 0009 **HASTILY 40** T McGuinness 7-8-10 ..... **RESERVE**
20 (1) 0600 **BANG PO 8 (D)** L McAteer 6-8-10 ..... **RESERVE**

Micasso ●99, Make The Tide 97, Thompson Gunner 95.

11-4 Thompson Gunner, 10 Suerte, Micasso, Pinball Wizard, 14 Tariff, Usuario Amigo, Make The Tide, 20 Winston's Promise

7.10 HANDICAP; winner €9,000; 1m. (18 runners)

1 (2) 1235 **DALER 30 (D)** G Lyons 4-10-2 ..... **G Carroll**
2 (15) 10 **HYGGE 34 (D)** G Elliott 4-10-0 ..... **D McDonogh**
3 (3) 4518 **FRANK PICKLE 39 (D)** D Foster 5-9-13 ..... **W Lordan**
4 (12) 5157 **HARANA 39** D Weld 4-9-13 ..... **C Hayes**
5 (16) 6995 **SONORAN 17** G Lyons 4-9-13 ..... **C Keane**
6 (11) 3604 **EXQUISITE ACCLAIM 21 (V;D)** A McGuinness 7-9-12 **S Coen (5)**
7 (13) 0200 **SPODO KOMODO 15** J Feane 4-9-11 ..... **J Heffernan**
8 (4) 1065 **MARMELADOVA 13** K Condon 5-9-10 ..... **W Lee**
9 (18) 4719 **CALA BONITA 18 (D)** M Smith 4-9-9 ..... **R Colgan**
10 (19) 2605 **GREAT MOVER 17** W McCreery 4-9-8.. **P Harnett (3)**
11 (20) 0932 **MOREHAMPTON 2** J Murtagh 3-9-8.. **P McGettigan (5)**
12 (5) 3283 **NO MORE PORTER 24 (D)** A McGuinness 8-9-8 **A Caffrey**
13 (9) 2332 **ZARAAHMANDO 34 (D)** A Slattery 4-9-8.. **A Slattery**
14 (14) 0336 **ANNIKA 55** S Lavery 5-9-7 ..... **R Cleary**
15 (21) 8415 **HALON BAY 75 (P★)** C Murphy 3-9-5 ..... **B Coen**
16 (10) 3001 **ONLY ONE SCOBIE 12 (D)** P Flynn 3-9-5..... **L Roche**
17 (6) 9033 **FELIX SOMARY 31 (V)** J O'Donoghue 3-9-4 **R Mulligan (5)**
18 (1) 4093 **SLIGHT OF FOOT 21** R Cody 3-9-2 ..... **R Holohan (7)**
19 (8) 4047 **EXPOUND 18** D Hogan 7-9-7 ..... **RESERVE**
20 (7) 524- **COLPE CROSS 397** N Lupini 5-9-6 ..... **RESERVE**
21 (17) 0131 **DREAM LEGEND 62 (D)** E Delany 3-8-12 .. **RESERVE**

Zaraahmando ●99, Morehampton 97, Daler 97.

13-2 Zaraahmando, 8 Morehampton, Only One Scobie, 10 Felix Somary, No More Porter, Daler, 12 Marmeladova

7.40 FILLIES MAIDEN STAKES; winner €7,200; 1m 2f. (23 runners)

1 (8) 28 **PAMPAR LADY 33** G Cromwell 7-9-9 ..... **R Whearty**
2 (9) **QUEEN OF CHENAB J615** P Flynn 6-9-9 .... **G Abbas (7)**
3 (3) 2294 **BANG BANG 32 (B)** N Meade 3-9-3 ..... **A Caffrey**
4 (15) 5628 **CHOSEN ONE 19 (T★)** D O'Brien 3-9-3.**P Harnett (3)**
5 (14) 6 **ESTRALLITA 30** J Davison 3-9-3 ..... **J Ryan**
6 (12) 4 **FAIRYLIKE 19** A P O'Brien 3-9-3 ..... **W Lordan**
7 (20) 0 **GENTLE SODA 15** E McNamara 3-9-3.....**A Slattery**
8 (10) 3 **HEY STELLA 51** G Lyons 3-9-3 ..... **C Keane**
9 (7) 06 **LAMAR VALLEY 32** K Coleman 3-9-3 ..... **L Roche**
10 (22) 542 **MAWHIBAH 18 (BF)** J O'Brien 3-9-3 ..... **J Sheridan**
11 (16) 5 **NEAR PERFECTION 130 (T★)** D O'Brien 3-9-3 **G Ryan**
12 (19) 09 **ORPHANINA 8** C Maxwell 3-9-3 ..... **R Cleary**
13 (2) 800 **PESHWARI NAN 8** J McConnell 3-9-3 ..... **S Rutledge**
14 (6) 355 **SAXONY CHARMS 11 (B★)** A Oliver 3-9-3.. **G Carroll**
15 (21) 8433 **SERENDIPIA 19** W McCreery 3-9-3 ..... **W Lee**
16 (17) 54 **SHANALA 90** J Murtagh 3-9-3 ..... **B Coen**
17 (4) 7 **SOCRATEA 70** W McCreery 3-9-3..... **D McDonogh**
18 (11) 02 **SUNATIA 45** D Weld 3-9-3 ..... **C Hayes**
19 (18) 6 **SUSIE'S ANGEL 36** M Fahey 3-9-3 ..... **R Holohan (7)**
20 (1) 0 **VENTRILOQUIST 90** J McConnell 3-9-3..... **D O'Connor**
21 (5) **VIVERE A COLORI** J Harrington 3-9-3 ..... **N Crosse**
22 (13) **WHAT DO YOU SAY** A Oliver 3-9-3 ..... **J Kearney (3)**
23 (23) **WINDBOURNE** P Foley 3-9-3 ..... **L McAteer**

Serendipia ●99, Sunatia 94, Fairylike 93.

4 Fairylike, 9-2 Sunatia, 13-2 Serendipia, 8 Saxony Charms

SEA DOWN UNDER

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will do another two weeks in quarantine. The first plan is to run in the Caulfield Cup with a view to then running in the Melbourne Cup.

"His owners are keen to run in the Caulfield Cup as it is a big race in its own right.

"It makes sense as it would be hard to go from the middle of August until early November without a run."

Wine Dark Sea booked his ticket to Australia with an impressive win in the Group 3 Geoffrey Freer Stakes last time out at Newbury.

And despite yet to race over the two mile trip that he would face in the Melbourne Cup, Charlton is confident.

He added: "It was good to see him bounce back from his defeat at Newmarket. He was impressive, he never looked like getting beaten.

"If he ends up in the Melbourne Cup I don't think he would have a problem with the trip. He is an exciting horse to take down there."